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Heligo Books is a brand-new business and smart-thinking imprint for curious readers and business leaders.

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From CIA to CEO

Unconventional Life Lessons for Thinking Bigger, Leading Better and Being Bolder

Rupal Patel



An operations manual for entrepreneurs that reveals how the esoteric techniques of the CIA can help anyone find their voice, discover their potential, and thrive in the world of business.

Agent-turned-entrepreneur Rupal Patel draws on the unique skills she developed as a female field agent in the high-octane, alpha-male world of the CIA, and combines those insights with her experience as a business leader and mentor.

We learn how methods such as Profiling and Situational Awareness help amplify strengths and build resilience. How game-changing new frameworks like Identity Driven Leadership and Personal Energy Mapping instil drive, purpose and conviction. And how the CIA mindset will encourage you to remake the rules to find your path and reach your goals.

Full of motivating stories and unique exercises, *From CIA to CEO* will furnish you with the tools for achieving Mission Success. And the Do, Dump & Delegate analysis system will change your working life!

The daughter of Indian immigrants, RUPAL PATEL is a born-and-bred New Yorker now living near London. Her unconventional career as a CIA analyst and successful entrepreneur has taken her from dusty briefing rooms in jungles and war zones to the gilded halls of NATO and Capitol Hill. As a CEO, leadership consultant and strategic advisor, she now helps founders, corporate leaders, and next generation change-makers lead in powerful, meaningful ways while building mental toughness and unshakable resilience.

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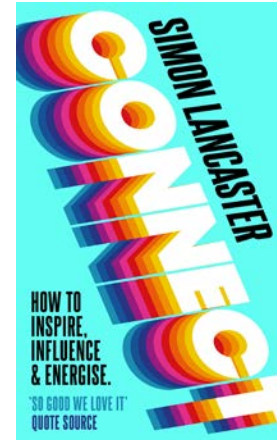
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Connect!

How to Inspire, Influence and Energise Anyone, Anytime, Anywhere

Simon Lancaster



A unique guide to communicating for success by making immediate and indelible connections: it's *How to Win Friends and Influence People* crossed with *Talk Like Ted*

Why do some people radiate energy when they speak whilst others fizzle out before they've even begun? How do some writers make our hearts race whilst others make us feel like closing the book? Why are some work colleagues seemingly more influential, or funnier, than others?

Top speechwriter Simon Lancaster explains that the secret of brilliant communication is all about making connections. Whether in speech or in writing, at a networking event or in an email, at work or at home, the best communicators find ways of connecting with their audiences. More than that, they are able to connect the personal with the universal, the past with the present, the abstract with the everyday, the visual with the verbal, the moral with the mundane. Like hot-wiring a car, connections are able to bypass logic and access our deepest instincts and emotions, generating an instant neurological reaction.

Connect! explains the art of making connections in eleven engaging, revelatory chapters. It blends cutting-edge neuroscience with ancient rhetoric and wonderfully shareable examples from popular culture; and it incorporates exercises to help work your own creative muscles, so you can become quicker at making connections and finding your own stories, metaphors, analogies and jokes. If you want more sparkle when you speak, more power when you present, more wow when you write, then this book will show you the skills to connect with anyone about anything, anytime and anywhere.

SIMON LANCASTER first started writing speeches in the late 1990s for members of Tony Blair's Cabinet. He has since gone on to write speeches for the CEOs of some of the world's biggest companies. He is an Executive Fellow of Henley Business School and lectures on Creative Writing at the University of Cambridge.

Simon regularly appears on BBC and Sky News discussing speeches and has written articles for the *Guardian*, *Daily Mail*, *Spectator*, *Prospect* and *GQ*. He frequently makes keynote speeches at major conferences around the world and his social media videos attract hundreds of thousands of views. His 2016 TEDx Talk 'Speak like a Leader' has had more than three million views.

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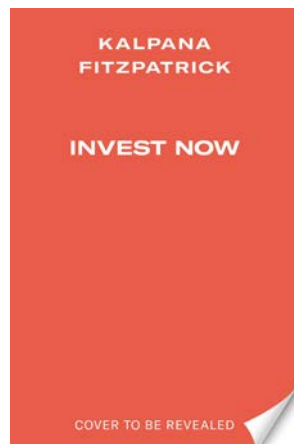
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Invest Now

How to Make Your Money Work For You

Kalpana Fitzpatrick



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Future-proof your finances with this simple guide to investing.

What we earn today is worth less tomorrow. So, what can we do about it? How can we future-proof our finances?

The answer is simple: invest.

When it comes to investing you might have a few assumptions (you have to be rich to invest, it's too risky, you need to be a 'professional'), are bombarded with financial jargon (index, funds, stocks, shares) or are just not sure where to start. Kalpana Fitzpatrick, financial journalist and money expert, will help you take control of your finances with this easy-to-understand guide to investing.

Invest Now is an essential book that will teach you:

- What investing is and why you need to care about it
- How investing works and why cash is making you 'poor'
- If investing is for you and how to get started
- How to ethically invest to help save the planet
- Break down financial jargon, bust myths and so much more

Whether you want to buy a house, a car or go on a much-needed holiday, investing will help you grow your money in the long-term and achieve your financial dreams.

KALPANA FITZPATRICK, an award-winning financial journalist, has worked for a range of national newspapers and magazines including *The Financial Times*, *Cosmopolitan*, *Good Housekeeping*, *Red*, *Men's Health*, *Prima*, *Ideal Home* and *Women & Home*.

She is a money expert, and a regular guest on TV and radio. She has appeared on BBC One's *Morning Live*, *Right on the Money*, ITV's *Save Money*, *Good Diet*, Sky News and TalkRadio.

Box-Set Business School

What Binge-Watching Can Teach You About Business

Rhianna Dhillon



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A book which unpicks the biggest and most celebrated TV series of our time to draw out brilliant business lessons for everyone.

'It's all about the product,' says Walter White in *Breaking Bad*. 'Make it simple but significant' asserts *Mad Men*'s Don Draper. 'Sh*t runs downhill, money runs up,' curses Tony Soprano.

They're not wrong. In fact, these are some of the business principles that have stood the test of time: enduring lessons that have built brands, forged firms and created corporations. These are some of the tenets underpinning Fortune and FTSE 100 organisations like Apple and Google, Amazon and Tesla. In fact, there's a whole lot that our favourite TV box-sets can teach us about the world of business – lessons that wouldn't be out of place in any MBA.

TV critic and broadcaster Rhianna Dhillon leads us through the very best that series can teach us about the world of business. From why you should always put the product first in *Breaking Bad* to why there's no substitute for a building rapport over a boozy lunch in *Mad Men*. From cash-flow being king in *The Sopranos* to why your reputation matters in *The Wire*.

With *Box-Set Business School* you can learn all about business from the comfort of your sofa – and never have to feel bad about binge-watching until the early hours ever again.

RHIANNA DHILLON is a freelance film critic and radio presenter. She is the Film and TV reviewer for Lauren Laverne on BBC 6Music, host of podcasts for *Radio Times* and the British Independent Film Awards, and presenter for BAFTA and the BFI. She has been the film critic for BBC Radio 1 and 1Xtra, and has appeared on BBC Radio 4's *Front Row*, Sky News, Sky News Sunrise, Channel 5 News. This is her first book.

The Green Start-Up

An Essential Guide for the Eco-Entrepreneur

Juliet Davenport OBE



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A roadmap for the modern-day, ethical start-up

The Green Start-Up is the first mass-market guide for entrepreneurs and founders on how to negotiate the biggest environmental questions of the day. It is an essential toolkit, in ten engaging and practical chapters, for eco-entrepreneurs everywhere to help find green solutions for age-old yet environmentally outdated business practices. And it offers a roadmap for anyone setting up, and green-proofing, their organisations.

Along the way, *The Green Start-Up* showcases Juliet Davenport's peerless experience in the field through her experiences of founding Good Energy – the UK's first 100% renewable energy company – and of helping to push through green agendas in the UK.

Not only is *The Green Start-Up* an essential guide for the eco-entrepreneur, it will also showcase expert voices and a host of brilliant innovators who have not only made being green a way of life, but a way of working, too.

JULIET DAVENPORT OBE founded Good Energy, one of the UK's first 100% renewable electricity suppliers, in 1999 at the age of 31, making her the first female CEO of a UK energy supplier. Stepping away as CEO in May 2021, Juliet sits on the boards of a string of companies that are helping tackle the climate crisis. She is Chair of solar innovator Atrato Onsite Energy whose flotation in November made it the first company with an all-female board to list on the London Stock Exchange.

How to Save the Amazon

(Ask the People Who Know)

Dom Phillips



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The Book of Trespass meets *The Uninhabitable Earth* as Dom Phillips journeys deep into the Amazon to show us this most wondrous place on Earth, in all its vibrant, fragile, radiant glory.

The Amazon. Accounting for over half of the world's rainforests, it is a place of abundant biodiversity, a vibrant ecosystem of forests, rivers and towns full of life, that is home to 20 million people and richly diverse cultures. Yet rising carbon emissions and massive deforestation are driving these precious lungs of the planet towards the point where it will no longer produce enough rainfall to sustain itself, the effect of which will impact us all.

How to Save the Amazon is part travelogue, part guidebook written out of environmental despair but with hope in humanity's capacity to repair with innovative solutions. Dom Phillips takes us to the heart of this great wonder of our planet, showing us the myriad of peoples it sustains and the many ways in which we can avert the collapse of this incredible ecosystem.

DOM PHILLIPS has lived in Brazil for fourteen years, visiting and reporting on the Amazon. He has seen at first hand the devastation wrought upon the Amazon. But he has also witnessed the many efforts being made to avert that destruction, from encouraging the farming of sustainable foods to giving riverside communities the resources and knowledge to protect and maintain their unique ways of life.

Witness to the Twentieth Century

Shirin Wheeler



A look at the major events of the twentieth century through the eyes of the man who witnessed it all: celebrated BBC foreign correspondent Charles Wheeler.

Charles Wheeler, the BBC's longest-serving foreign correspondent, was one of Britain's greatest news reporters. For more than four decades, he reported for radio and television from most of the world's trouble spots. Present at many of the key episodes of the twentieth century, he had 'a knack of being in the right place at the right time' - as a BBC manager noted after the shooting of George Wallace, Presidential candidate and Governor of Alabama, on 15 May 1972. It was typical of Charles that he ran towards the sound of the gunshot while the crowd was running in the opposite direction.

Wheeler's investigative skill and sense of judgement made him one of the most authoritative reporters of his generation. But what was it like to have been witness to the events that shaped our modern world? In this book - part memoir, part history, part reflection - his daughter, Shirin Wheeler, examines her father's journalistic legacy and brings her personal knowledge to bear on the project. She will tell the story of her father: a patient listener and forensic interrogator who was driven by curiosity and passion to report and expose injustice, and above all to give a voice to people ignored or unheard by many.

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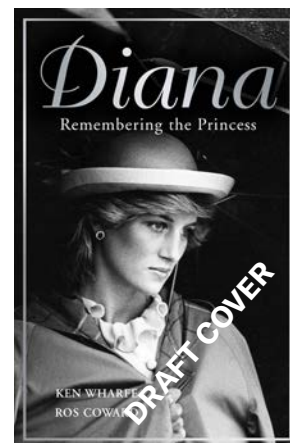
SHIRIN WHEELER, the daughter of Charles Wheeler, was a BBC journalist for twenty-five years. She now advises on EU climate action, gender equality and innovation in and out of Europe.



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Diana: Remembering the Princess

Ken Wharfe and Ros Coward



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On the 25th anniversary of her death, this is an intimate exploration of the legacy of Princess Diana, and her influence on the monarchy, her sons and wider social attitudes.

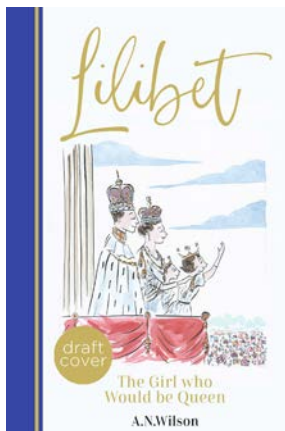
An authoritative book, written by two close friends of Diana. Inspector Ken Wharfe was Diana's police protection officer for six years during the most turbulent period of her marriage to Prince Charles. Ros Coward is the author of the official book by the Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Trust.

The key facts we know about a young woman who, in the space of only sixteen years, captured and held the imagination of millions of people all over the world, cannot hope to do justice to Diana, Princess of Wales. Twenty-five years after her death, we are still talking about her. Nor has she been forgotten by the media. A new generation, re-discovering her can be freshly amazed, and sometimes shocked, by her story, her relationship with monarchy and husband, her struggle to make a meaningful life alone, her lasting impact on the people and causes she embraced, and especially her efforts to modernise the monarchy and bring up her sons in a different way.

Today, twenty-five years since her death, seems the perfect moment to assess her legacy, especially her influence on the monarchy, on her sons, and on wider social attitudes. Did the Royal Family learn lessons about protection and privacy, about how to incorporate 'outsiders' into their ranks, about how to manage scandal? Did it take any lessons from her death, and the public's reaction not only to that, but to the behaviour of, in particular, the Queen and Prince Charles, in the aftermath? Or have the family and the Palace - 'the men in grey suits', as Diana called them - continued on the same track, unchanged, repeating many of the mistakes made with her, from her first nervous ventures in royal circles to her later defiance of traditional protocols?

Lilibet: The Girl Who Would be Queen

A. N. Wilson



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A celebration of Queen Elizabeth II, one of the most remarkable rulers of our age, to coincide with her Platinum Jubilee.

The moments in life of "knowing". On Bognor Beach, with Grandpa England, she had "known" that he, and Papa, and she, would carry something on, something given, something bigger than themselves.

Lilibet: a carefree child, a lover of horses and dogs, devoted to her family. And the girl who would be Queen.

A.N. Wilson imagines the Queen on the eve of her platinum jubilee. We watch as she discovers, at the tender age of ten, that she is heir to the throne. We witness her meeting the dashing Prince Phillip of Greece, whom she loved steadfastly from the age of fifteen, and we see their friendship blossom into passionate love. Above all, we learn of her astonishing sense of vocation and public duty which grew during the dark years of WWII and her father's subsequent years of ill health.

By turns funny, tender and moving, *Lilibet: The Girl Who Would be Queen* honours the much-loved monarch and her illustrious reign through reimagining the years between her birth to her accessions to the throne in February 1952.

Praise for *The King and the Christmas Tree*:

'An unlikely hero has a master storyteller to tell his tale. The King and the Christmas Tree is a poignant Christmas treat' - Lucy Worsley

'Reads like a thriller; a tale of human courage and resistance' - Lady Antonia Fraser

'I loved this book, not read without shedding a tear, reminding us that true democracy goes hand-in-hand with true kingship' - Roy Strong

A. N. WILSON holds a prominent position in the world of literature and journalism. He is a prolific and award-winning biographer and celebrated novelist. He lives in North London.



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The Crown

The Inside History, 1947-55

Robert Lacey

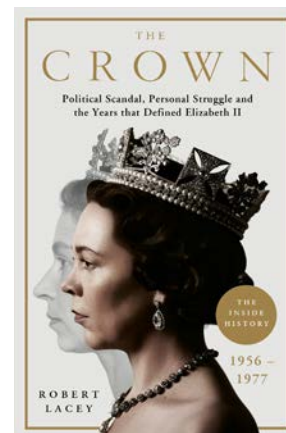
The official companion to the Golden Globe and BAFTA award-winning Netflix drama, *The Crown*, with extensive research, additional material and beautifully reproduced photographs.

Elizabeth Mountbatten never expected her father to die so suddenly, leaving her with a throne to fill and a global institution to govern.

As Britain lifted itself out of the shadow of war, the new monarch faced her own challenges. Her mother doubted her marriage; her uncle-in-exile derided her abilities; her husband resented the sacrifice of his career and family name; while her rebellious sister embarked on a love affair that threatened the centuries-old links between the Church and the Crown. This is the story of how Elizabeth II drew on every ounce of resolve to ensure that the Crown always came out on top.

Written by royal biographer Robert Lacey, *The Crown: The Inside History* adds expert and in-depth detail to the events of the series, painting an intimate portrait of life inside Buckingham Palace and 10 Downing Street. Here is Elizabeth II as we've never seen her before.

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The Crown II

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

Robert Lacey

In this incredible companion to the second and third seasons of Netflix's acclaimed series *The Crown*, Robert Lacey covers 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, this is a fascinating insight into the two decades that the show covers, revealing the truth behind the fiction on-screen.

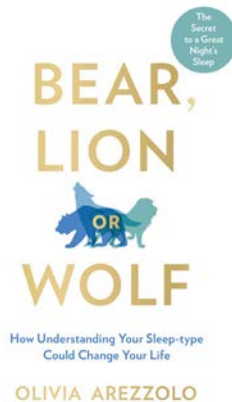
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Bear, Lion or Wolf?

How Understanding Your Sleep Type Could Change Your Life

Olivia Arezzolo



The only book on sleep you'll ever need! Learn your sleep profile and understand your body clock.

Are you a bear, lion or wolf? Discover your sleep chronotype and get your best night's rest with Australia's leading sleep expert, Olivia Arezzolo.

Lion: you are an early riser, furiously working in the morning, tailing off after midday and going to bed just as the wolves are coming out to play.

Wolf: you get up late and are more energetic, mentally and physically, at night.

Bear: you rise with the sun and wind down in the evening, and tend to dip immediately after lunch!

Do you struggle to fall asleep, stay asleep or find yourself exhausted during the day? Olivia's straightforward, science-based tips will enable you to get the sleep you really need – not only will you sleep better, you'll be more productive, less stressed and able to function at your absolute best.

Whether you're an early-rising lion, ready to tackle the day before the rest of the herd is up; a hardworking bear who always slumps around 3pm; or a night-loving wolf, who seems to have more energy as the day goes on, Olivia has the exact tips and tricks you need to sleep properly – so that you can live your best life.

“A fascinating exploration of the topic, and lots of helpful and science-backed advice.” Psychologies Magazine

OLIVIA AREZZOLO is a sleep expert. Her primary mission is to improve the lives of others from inside and out. Through rapid transformation of her private clients, she has evidence sleep is the vehicle to achieve it. After nine years of study, Olivia's qualifications include a Bachelor of Social Science, Certificate of Sleep Psychology and Diploma of Health Science (Nutritional Medicine). She lives in Australia.

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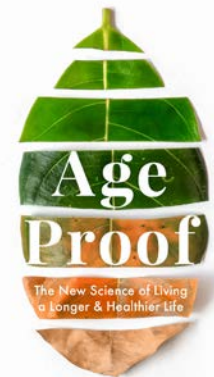
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Age Proof

The New Science of Living a Longer and Healthier Life

Professor Rose Anne Kenny



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NUMBER ONE INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER

One of the world's leading scientists on ageing delivers a comprehensive and revealing account of what ageing is and how we can tackle its more serious side effects.

We all age. But why do some of us live longer than others? Why do we all live twice as long today as our ancestors did 200 years ago? And what does the latest science teach us that will help us not only to live longer lives, but also to live fitter, healthier and happier lives, deep into our later years?

Professor Rose Anne Kenny has 35 years of experience right at the top of ageing medicine and is at the forefront of scientific research into the subject. *Age Proof* takes Professor Kenny's seminal research and reveals why and how some people have a lower biological age (how our body looks and feels) than chronological age (the number), and the role played by food, genetics, sex, physical exercise, cold water, childhood experiences, expectations, friendships, inequality and much more.

From the nuns who lived into their nineties to the septuagenarians taking up sport for the first time, via the revealing, if unlikely friendship of Jojo the monkey and Alan the cat, and the existence of 'Blue Zones' (areas of the world where inhabitants live longer), Professor Kenny's work lifts the lid on the importance of family, friends, laughter and good sleep and emphasises that we all are just as young as we feel.

Professor ROSE ANNE KENNY is an award-winning physician and researcher who and has been Head of the academic department of Medical Gerontology at Trinity College Dublin since 2006. She is the founding Principal Investigator of The Irish Longitudinal study on Ageing (TILDA).

Professor Kenny has published over 600 scientific publications to date and was admitted as a Member of the Royal Irish Academy (M.R.I.A) in 2014 – Ireland's highest recognition for scientific excellence.

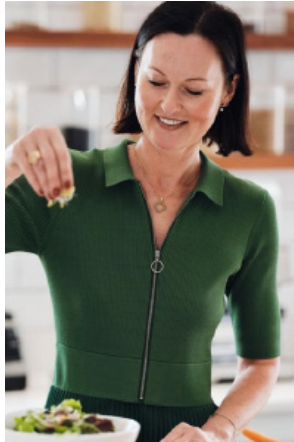
She recently received a Lifetime Achievement Award for her research on ageing at the world congress in Kuala Lumpur 2019. She was voted a Health Hero by *The Irish Times* in 2018; won the Trinity Innovation Award in 2017 and was elected President of the Irish Geriatrics Society in 2020.



Eat Right, Lose Weight

Why Your Diet Isn't Working For You - And How to Fix It

Pippa Campbell



Would you like to lose weight but struggle to find a plan that works for you? Do you feel frustrated because the latest diet trend isn't a long-term solution to weight loss?

Which of the seven diet types are you?

In *Eat Right, Lose Weight*, functional nutritional and nutrigenomics practitioner and certified metabolic balance coach Pippa Campbell shows you how to become your own diet detective and work out the specific reasons why you struggle to lose weight.

In the course of her work helping 5000 women with their weight issues, Pippa has established 7 core reasons why some women don't see the weight-loss results they desire: nutritional imbalance, gut health, hormonal rhythm, stress, detox, blood sugar imbalance and inflammation. In this practical, interactive guide, she will show you how to work out what your specific metabolic issue is, the impact it has on your body's ability to lose weight and the steps you need to take in order to put your body back on the right track.

Packed with tasty recipe ideas, meal planners and illuminating client case studies, this is the book that will change the way women approach weight loss.

Aimed specifically at women of 40+.

PIPPA CAMPBELL is an experienced Functional Nutrition Practitioner, Weight Loss Specialist and Certified Nutrigenomics Practitioner. She is a Certified Metabolic Balance Coach, registered with The Institute of Functional Medicine and Complimentary Medical Association. She has over 12 years of experience specialising in female health and weight loss.

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The Organised Cook

Save Time, Save Money, Eat More Healthily

Amelia Freer



Queen of healthy eating, bestselling author and nutritional therapist Amelia Freer demonstrates how to save time and money and eat more healthily with simple steps to getting organised.

Do you want to eat more healthily but don't know where to start? Do you feel overwhelmed at the thought of changing how you feed yourself and your family? Nutritionist and bestselling author Amelia Freer is here to show you that eating well every day doesn't need to be complicated, time-consuming or expensive.

In *The Organised Cook*, Amelia shows us easy ways to form new habits when it comes to organising our kitchens and preparing food. With the right basics in place, you can reduce stress, save money and always have a nutritious, delicious meal to hand.

Including 80 of Amelia's original, healthy and tasty recipes, this book is packed with advice about how to organise your kitchen, approach food shopping, cook efficiently and plan meals for the week ahead.

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The Strength of Love Embracing an Uncertain Future with Resilience and Optimism

Kate Garraway



Hugely popular broadcaster and number-one-bestselling author Kate Garraway tells the story of how she is rebuilding her life as her husband Derek continues to fight the devastating effects of Covid.

In this powerful new book, Kate Garraway writes about how she is coping with the huge changes to her life in the wake of her husband's long battle with Covid.

More than two years after being hospitalised, Derek's whole body is still battling the terrible impact that the virus has had on his health. Needing round-the-clock care, he suffers from poor mobility, is often cripplingly fatigued and he struggles to communicate.

Covering themes such as resilience, anxiety, loneliness, grief, uncertainty, long-term care of loved ones and redefining relationships, Kate will tell her own story as well as embracing others with her trademark empathy, insight and wisdom.

While a deeply personal story, Kate's book speaks to us all as we deal with the shockwaves of this unprecedented time.

Kate's first book, *The Power of Hope*, was a Sunday Times No 1 bestseller.

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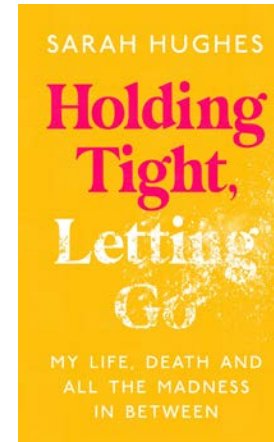
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Holding Tight, Letting Go My Life, Death and All the Madness In Between

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What is it like to know you are going to die? And, more importantly, what can that teach you about how to live?

'Too often we minimise the reality of terminal cancer, concentrating instead on survival records and talking only in positive pink ribbon terms. But what of those who live daily with the shadow of the disease?'

This is a book about how that feels. It is about how to die as much as about how to live; yet it is also life-affirming, funny and shot through with hope.'

Life is full of small details that we tuck away somewhere to revisit later on when we need them most: the calming sound of the sea, that childlike joy when you feel the sun hit your face on an early February morning. The small details which, knitted together, make up an ordinary life. Few understood the importance of these more than Sarah Hughes, who lived with terminal metastatic cancer for over three years and who sadly passed away in April 2021.

This book is a celebration of everything that can make up a life, and how to hold it all close: cherish the perspective-changing, exhale-bringing perspective of a trashy novel; learn the upside of chemo (finally being able to fit into flippy french tea dresses); explore the intimate topography of a body that's yours and yours alone.

For fans of Matt Haig and Maggie O'Farrell, this is a tender word-of-mouth bestseller: the sort of book you'll press on your friends, family and a stranger in a bookshop.

SARAH HUGHES was a London-based journalist who regularly contributed to a variety of publications including the *Guardian*, the *Independent*, the *Independent on Sunday*, the *Observer* and *Metro*. She specialised in entertainment writing with a particular emphasis on television and was responsible for the *Guardian's* hugely successful Game of Thrones blog. She also had considerable experience in lifestyle journalism, writing regularly for the *Guardian's* women's pages and the *Observer* news desk.

There's No Such Thing as Naughty

The Primary School Years

Kate Silverton



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Bestselling parenting author Kate Silverton shares the secrets of how to communicate with your school-age child in this revolutionary practical guide.

Do you want to know how to help your child with their transition to school? How to communicate with them, support them and build their resilience in the face of this huge change to their life and routine?

Sunday Times bestselling author and child counsellor, Kate Silverton, is here to guide you through these exciting but testing times.

Kate will explain how to understand the development of your child's brain at this crucial time, foster their empathy, connect with them, and ensure they retain their sense of self. While her advice has its basis in science, what she offers is a practical, simple toolkit for all parents who want to build a trusting, warm and caring relationship with their child and ensure that they grow up secure, happy and calm.

Kate's first book, *There's No Such Thing as Naughty*, was a *Sunday Times* No 1 bestseller.

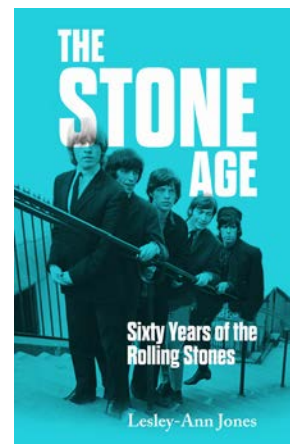
KATE SILVERTON is one of the BBC's main national news presenters. She has produced and presented numerous documentaries, including for *Panorama* and has reported from the frontlines in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Kate's academic roots are in child development, with a BSc in Psychology; she has worked for more than a decade in children's mental health, ultimately retraining as a children's counsellor with the children's mental health charity, Place2Be. She supports charities like the Anna Freud National Centre for Children and Families, The NHS Maudsley Foundation Trust, as well as the NSPCC and their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge's Royal Foundation.

The Stone Age

Sixty Years of the Rolling Stones

Lesley-Ann Jones



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Japan (Yamaha), Romania (Publica),
Russia (Eksmo), Slovenia (Učila),
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Good, bad and often ugly, here are the Rolling Stones as never seen before.

On 12 July 1962, the Rollin' Stones performed their first-ever gig at London's Marquee jazz club. Down the line, a 'g' was added, a spark was lit and their destiny was sealed. No going back.

These five white British kids set out to play the music of black America. They honed a style that bled bluesy undertones into dark insinuations of women, sex and drugs. Denounced as 'corruptors of youth' and 'messengers of the devil', they created some of the most thrilling music ever recorded.

Now, with a combined age of over three hundred but sadly no Charlie Watts, their sound and attitude seem louder and more influential than ever. Elvis is dead and the Beatles are over, but Jagger and Richards bestride the world. The Stones may be gathering moss, but on they roll.

Yet how did the ultimate anti-establishment misfits become the global brand we know today? Who were the casualties, and what are the forgotten legacies? Can the artist ever be truly divisible from the art?

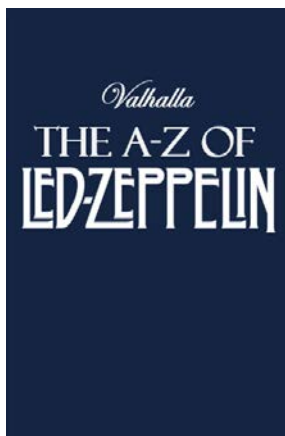
Lesley-Ann Jones's new history tracks this contradictory, disturbing, granitic and unstoppable band through hope, glory and exile, into the juggernaut years and beyond into rock's ongoing reckoning . . . where the Stones seem more at odds than ever with the values and heritage against which they have always rebelled.

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 & Deaths of Marc Bolan*. A childhood friend of David Bowie, Lesley-Ann has interviewed many of the world's best-loved artists, including Paul McCartney, Madonna and Prince, often forming lifelong friendships with her subjects. She is a mother of three and lives in London.

Valhalla!

The A to Z of Led Zeppelin

Paul Brannigan



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A definitive 'A to Z' biography which illuminates and unpacks the mythology and majesty of the greatest hard-rock band of all time Led Zeppelin.

Entitled in tribute to the gloriously theatrical lyric from 'Immigrant Song'.

Utilising a similar tone and structure to Mark Blake's wildly entertaining, critically acclaimed *Magnifico! The A to Z of Queen*, this book seeks to re-animate Led Zeppelin for a global audience in a digestible, accessible and authoritative way. Liberated from the constraints of a conventional biography, the alphabetised entries will include eyewitness anecdotes and analytical mini-essays, as well as original critiques of the music of Plant, Page, Jones and Bonham – and, crucially, what their songs reveal about the men who crafted them.

Among the book's irreverent pages, readers will find out just how much money the quartet invested in Monty Python and exactly why Barack Obama felt compelled to host them in a room with 3-inch-thick windows and a secret-service presence. Yet this meticulously researched guide also provides a comprehensive overview of the group's game-changing ascendancy and the subsequent fallout as three creatively restless musicians struggled to process the devastating loss of their dear friend and esteemed bandmate John Bonham.

Packed with insightful trivia to delight Led Zep loyalists and casual fans alike, this is their rock and roll story.

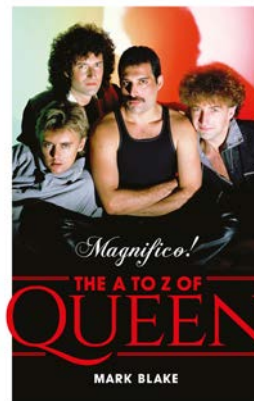
PAUL BRANNIGAN is an established music writer, whose previous books include *This Is a Call: The Life and Times of Dave Grohl* (a Sunday Times bestseller), the two-volume *Birth School Metallica* (Music Book of the Year in the Sunday Times, the NME and The Independent) and *Eruption: The Eddie Van Halen Story*.



Magnifico!

The A to Z of Queen

Mark Blake



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A unique 'A to Z' biography from music journalist and Queen biographer Mark Blake that will shed new light on the story of the biggest rock band of all time.

The story of Queen is rich with anecdotes, trivia, humour and tragedy – accompanied by some of the best-known songs of all time. In this revealing profile, acclaimed biographer Mark Blake uses a unique 'A to Z' approach to shed new light on the legendary band. With every entry aiming to celebrate, inform, entertain or amuse, Blake's complete portrait covers not only the major hits and bestselling albums, but also the inside stories behind the music.

Via a series of essays, lists and mini biographies, the author shares a wealth of lesser-known details – gained from over thirty years of original interviews – and explores what the songs of Queen say about their creators. The book's format also allows it to take fascinating tangents, charting the places, characters and events that, often inadvertently, played a part in shaping the band and informing its music.

Elsewhere, entries offer light-hearted trivia – from a list of LPs the band was listening to in 1970 to tales of the fifteen Jimi Hendrix gigs Freddie Mercury hitch-hiked around the UK to attend – as well as serious analysis, including the truth behind Mercury's funeral, which was effectively controlled by Queen's management, and a reflection on the ways in which the flamboyant frontman confronted the twentieth century's sexual mores and prejudices.

Addressing the phenomenal success of the film *Bohemian Rhapsody*, while challenging the fictionalised account it sold to cinemagoers, Blake builds on the band's enduring audience appeal in order to provide a fresh and unparalleled take on Queen's music, story and legacy.

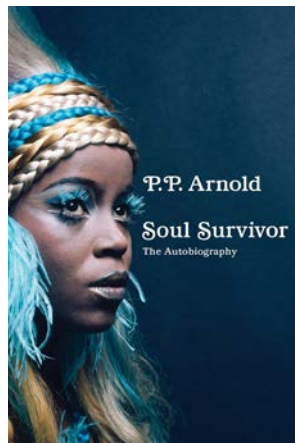
MARK BLAKE is an acclaimed music journalist and author. Former assistant editor of *Q* magazine and long-time contributor to *Mojo*, Blake has written for many high-profile publications including *Rolling Stone* and *Billboard*. Among his previous books are the bestselling *Pigs Might Fly: The Inside Story of Pink Floyd* and *Bring It On Home: Peter Grant, Led Zeppelin and Beyond*, which was listed as a 'Music Book of the Year' by *The Times*, the *Sunday Times*, the *Daily Mail* and the *Daily Telegraph*. Blake has edited and contributed to titles about Freddie Mercury, Keith Richards and punk music. He has also worked on official projects for Queen, Pink Floyd, the Who and the Jimi Hendrix estate.



Soul Survivor

The Autobiography

P.P. Arnold



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Redfire Music

A compelling memoir by soul legend P.P. Arnold, charting the musical highs and personal lows of her extraordinary life.

P.P. Arnold's story is that of a rich and varied life. From her early musical origins in powerhouse church gospel, the singer's career began when she joined the Ike & Tina Turner Revue at the age of just seventeen. But little did the young Ikette know how much her world was about to turn upside-down...

Upon arriving in London in 1966 to support the Rolling Stones, the shy but vivacious nineteen-year-old caught the eye of the frontman Mick Jagger. He would persuade her to stay in the city and record as a solo artist, ultimately leading to a five-decade career working with everyone from Jagger, Rod Stewart, the Small Faces, Eric Clapton and Nick Drake to Barry Gibb, Peter Gabriel, Roger Waters, the KLF, Paul Weller and Primal Scream.

However, it has been far from a gilded life for the musical star, who, after being forced into marriage at the age of fifteen upon becoming pregnant, went on to endure a string of personal traumas, including physical abuse from her husband, sexual abuse at the hands of her one-time musical mentor and, later, the tragic loss of her young daughter in a road accident.

Yet the legendary musician survived it all and has continued to reinvent herself through the years, be that as a West End musical actress, a much-sought-after backing singer or a renowned pop and soul star in her own right.

Now, for the first time, she is telling her remarkable story. This is the long-awaited memoir of a true soul survivor.

P.P. ARNOLD (born Patricia Ann Cole) is an American soul singer who has enjoyed continued success in the music industry since coming to fame in the mid-'60s.



Whatever Happened to the C86 Kids?

An Indie Odyssey

Nige Tassell



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The North Literary Agency

A unique journey into the legacy and afterlives of the artists who featured on the legendary NME C86 tape.

In 1986, the *NME* released a cassette that would shape music for years to come. A collection of twenty-two independently signed guitar-based bands, C86 was the sound and ethos that defined a generation. It was also arguably the point at which 'indie' was born.

But what happened next to all those musical dreamers?

Some of the bands, like Primal Scream, went on to achieve global stardom; others, such as Half Man Half Biscuit and the Wedding Present, cultivated lifelong fanbases that still sustain their careers thirty-five years later. Then there were the rest, who ultimately imploded in a riot of paisley shirts, bad drugs and general indifference from the record-buying public.

Now, for the first time, music journalist Nige Tassell tracks down the class of C86 and recounts their stories, both tragic and uplifting.

Yet, while the pursuit of long-lost musicians can often manifest as earnest hagiography, Tassell's unique, light-hearted approach makes this a very human story of ambition, hope, varying degrees of talent and what happens after you give up on pop - or, more precisely, after pop gives up on you. It's a world populated by bike-shop owners, architecture professors, dance-music producers, record-store proprietors, birdwatchers, solicitors, caricaturists and even a possible Olympic sailor - and let's not forget the musician-turned-actor gainfully employed as Jeremy Irons' body double...

More than simply the tale of the tape, *Whatever Happened to the C86 Kids?* is an exploration of C86's wide-reaching and often surprising legacy.

For the past twenty-five years, NIGE TASSELL has written about music, popular culture and sport for a range of titles, including *The Word*, *The Guardian*, the *Sunday Times*, *The Independent*, *Q*, *Esquire*, *GQ*, *Rouleur*, the *New Statesman* and *The Blizzard*. A highly experienced interviewer and author, Tassell has received admiration for his writing from the likes of Ian Rankin, Adam Buxton, Danny Baker, Steve Lamacq, Janice Long and Lucy Porter. *Whatever Happened to the C86 Kids?* will be his eighth book.



The Big Sky

50 Visions of Kate Bush

Tom Doyle



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A mosaic biography featuring snapshots, stories, episodes, interviews and insights that will lift the curtain on the real Kate Bush.

Kate Bush: the subject of murmured legend and one of the most ground-breaking, idiosyncratic musicians of the modern era. Comprising fifty chapters or 'visions', *The Big Sky* is a multi-faceted biography of this famously elusive figure, viewing her life and work from fresh and illuminating angles.

Featuring details from the author's one-to-one conversations with Kate, as well as vignettes of her key songs, albums, videos and concerts, this artful, candid and often brutally funny portrait introduces the reader to the refreshingly real Kate Bush.

Along the way, the narrative also includes vivid reconstructions of transformative moments in her career and insights from the friends and collaborators closest to Kate, including her photographer brother John Carder Bush and fellow artists David Gilmour, John Lydon and Youth.

The Big Sky is a vibrant and refreshing re-examination of Kate Bush and her many creative landmarks.

TOM DOYLE is the author of three highly acclaimed books: *The Glamour Chase: The Maverick Life of Billy Mackenzie*; *Man on the Run: Paul McCartney in the 1970s*; and *Captain Fantastic: Elton John's Stellar Trip Through The '70s*. As a journalist and interviewer, his work has appeared in *Mojo*, *Billboard*, *Q*, *Sound On Sound*, *The Guardian* and *The Times*. Over the years, he has profiled Paul McCartney, Neil Young, Elton John, U2, Madonna, Keith Richards, Yoko Ono and, of course, Kate Bush, among many others.

Incredible Kratu

The Happy-go-lucky Rescue Dog Who Changed his Owner's Life

Tess Eagle Swan & Lynne Barret-Lee



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From a camp in Romania, to the show ring at Crufts, this is the moving story of a lovable rescue dog who healed a broken, autistic woman, and how, together, they continue to bring joy to everyone they meet.

A solitary child who only really found solace in nature, Tess Eagle Swan ran away from home aged sixteen and, by her late twenties, had already survived violence and drug addiction. In the following decade, life spiralled further out of control as substance abuse filled the hole meaningful relationships should have occupied. Something had to change.

Tess had always loved animals, so when she saw a post on Facebook about the plight of two dogs in Romania, she was moved to take action, helping find homes for both. It was the first step on the road that led her to Kratu - the Carpathian/Mioritic Shepherd cross she adopted in 2014. From his humble beginnings on a Roma camp in Transylvania, Kratu has gone on to become a canine international treasure. Now a trained assistance and therapy dog, he has brought joy to millions with his lovable antics - not least with his legendary appearances at Crufts. But the role he has played in Tess's story is more compelling still. After a lifetime of distress, Tess and Kratu's bond allowed Tess to finally learn to love herself and answer some of the questions behind her troubled beginnings.

Incredible Kratu is the inspirational true story of this unlikely pair, who found in each other the love and support they needed to beat the odds and turn both their lives around.

WINNER AT THE PEOPLE'S PET AWARDS 2021

For the past nine years, TESS EAGLE SWAN has devoted her life to training Kratu and her other dogs whilst also raising awareness of animal welfare issues and autism-related causes. She supports the cross-parliamentary group APDAWG and is now a dedicated dog welfare advocate and rescue dog ambassador. Her and Kratu are also ambassadors for Anna Kennedy Online, an autism charity. Kratu, now formally her Assistance Dog, did therapy work at the local primary school but is now retired.

LYNNE BARRET-LEE has been a full time author since the mid-1990s. She has ten novels and over a hundred published short stories to her name, as well as two guides to writing fiction, which she teaches in her spare time. She is the ghostwriter of the bestselling memoir *Fabulous Finn*.

Over 280,000 copies sold in the series!



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Easy Peasy Puppy Squeezy

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

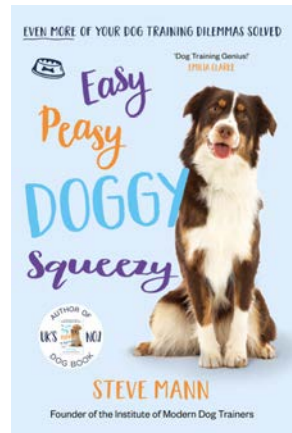
With over 210,000 copies sold, this is the must-have dog book for anyone who has or is thinking of getting a puppy.

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.

'Dog Training Genius!' – Emilia Clarke



August 2020; TPB; 304 pp.

Easy Peasy Doggy Squeezy

Even More of Your Dog-Training Dilemmas Solved

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?

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.



Easy Peasy Cockerpool Cocker Spaniel French Bulldog Labradoodle Labrador

Expert and bespoke training advice for your dog's breed from the UK's No. 1 dog trainer and bestselling author Steve Mann!

“My name is Steve Mann and I’m an expert dog trainer with over 30 years of experience. In these books, I’m going to share with you everything I’ve learned to create a happy and healthy bond with your dog, specific to their breed. Dog training should never be hard and with my easy-to-understand principles you’ll be able to teach your dog a wide range of activities in no time, whether you’re the proud owner of a brand-new puppy, a 10-year-old adult dog or a rescue dog of any age.

I’ll be discussing the individual characteristics of your breed and you’ll get to learn:

- Breed history
- How to spot a good breeder
- The key principles of dog training: Recall, Loose Lead Walking, Sit
- Toilet training
- Why your breed behaves as it does
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- Nutrition and so much more!

Your relationship with your dog is so special and I’m going to show you the best way to motivate your dog to get the very best training results. Not only will your dog complete the behaviours you’re asking for but they are going to love doing them for you!

It really is easy peasy and with my simple lessons, you and your dog will have the most cheerful, exciting and fulfilling relationship. So, let’s get started!”

STEVE MANN, founder of The IMDT (Institute of Modern Dog Trainers), is the author of the UK’s number 1 bestselling dog training book. Steve is a world-renowned expert who presents dog training and behaviour seminars worldwide including Europe, South America, Africa and the Middle East.

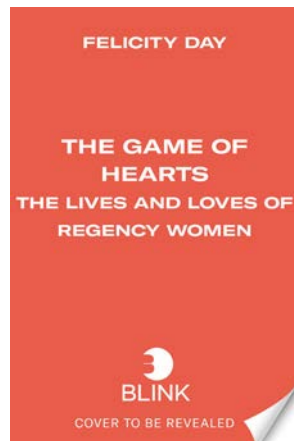
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The Game of Hearts

The Lives and Loves of Regency Women

Felicity Day



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Get a glimpse behind the drawing room doors of Regency high society at the lives of real women who inspired the stories of Jane Austen and *Bridgerton*.

Each and every January they came, with baggage-laden coaches, back to their houses in town. Woken from a wintertime slumber were the streets and squares of London's West End, suddenly echoing once more with the rumble of carriage wheels and coal-wagons; the steady beating of brass door knockers and the shouts of servants. Inside tall narrow townhouses and mansions more like private palaces, holland covers were cast off, shutters flung open, and preparations begun in earnest for the annual social whirl that was the Regency season...

The Regency period in Britain has long been glamorised as a blur of glitz and glamour with the women of the period being fondly remembered for their wide gowns and big hair topped with feathers, but who were these women and what was it like to live and love in this age of elegance?

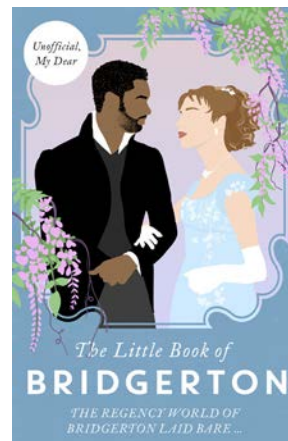
The Game of Hearts allows the reader a glimpse behind the drawing room doors of high society, charting the lives of the women who filled them. There are tales of rakish husbands, runaway lovers and rich heiresses; candid insights into the competitive world of the so-called marriage mart; and plentiful examples of the pitfalls of pursuing a brilliant match, which reveal what courtship and married life was really like for Regency women.

FELICITY DAY began to write magazine features that allowed her to indulge her passion for history, and the life and times of Jane Austen in particular, in 2017. Her first piece appeared in *Jane Austen's Regency World* and since then she has written about British history and heritage for a whole range of publications, from *The Telegraph*, the *Mail on Sunday's YOU Magazine* and *Country Life*, to specialist history titles such as the BBC's *Who Do You Think You Are?* and *History Revealed*. An aficionado of the works of Austen, Georgette Heyer and Fanny Burney, her meticulous approach to her research has won over both editors and readers alike.

The Little Book of Bridgerton

Flawlessly Unofficial, My Dear

Charlotte Browne



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For superfans of Netflix's hit show and Julia Quinn's bestselling books, or anyone needing a little more romance in their life.

Craving more of the ton? Desperate to become the finest rake in town? Need help on how to swoon in style? Allow *The Little Book of Bridgerton* to act as your guide through the tumultuous life of the debutante.

Revel in finding out just **Which Bridgerton Character You Are**.

Be shown the charm of **A Bridgerton Childhood**, or **How To Become A Diamond of the First Water**.

Learn **How To Impress The Ton** with regency dance and take a walk to **Visit the Modiste** for up-to-date regency fashion.

Quiz your family and friends on **Marriage Manners** and **If You Can Keep A Secret From Lady Whistledown**.

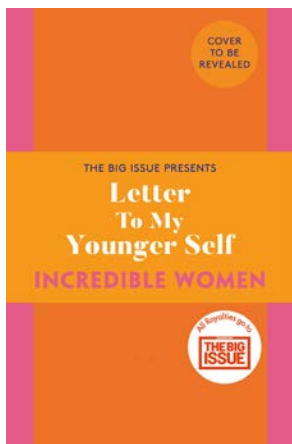
And play a tough game of **Rakes and Ladders** to see who reaches the very top of the social hierarchy first.

Full of quizzes, activities and bite-sized nuggets of Regency history, the world of *Bridgerton* is laid fully bare...

CHARLOTTE BROWNE has worked as a journalist for a number of publications from *Independent* to *Prima*. She has also written for a variety of organisations within the non-profit and charity sector and is the co-author of numerous books for both adults and children.

Letter to My Younger Self: Incredible Women

The Big Issue & Jane Graham



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From *The Big Issue's* hugely popular section, this collection features 50 remarkable women writing letters to their younger selves.

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

Letter to My Younger Self is back with another selection of letters from well-known figures. In this edition, interviewer Jane Graham asks one simple question to a wide range of women from the worlds of entertainment, politics, food, sport, literature and business.

This collection of 50 of the most moving, inspiring and honest letters includes Dolly Parton, Billie Piper on feeling burnt out, Dame Kelly Holmes on not giving up, Nancy Sinatra on marrying young and so much more.

Letter to My Younger Self gives a powerful insight into the wisdom that age and hindsight brings and offers a sidelong glimpse into the hearts and minds of these women who have all made it to the top in one field or another.

ALL UK ROYALTIES FROM SALES OF THIS BOOK GO TO *THE BIG ISSUE*.

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.

JANE GRAHAM is the books editor of *The Big Issue*. She has worked as a producer / documentary maker for BBC Radios 1, 3, 4 and Radio Ulster. As a writer and broadcaster she has contributed to the BBC, the *Guardian*, *Uncut* and *The LA Review of Books* among many others. She has been conducting interviews for *The Big Issue's Letter to my Younger Self* since its inception in 2007.

Kitty's Salon Sex, Spying and Surveillance in the Third Reich

Nigel Jones, Urs Brunner, & Dr. Julia Schrammel



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This extraordinary story of the high-class Berlin brothel taken over by the Nazi secret service is truly one of the last untold tales of WWII.

There is no book in English about the wartime Berlin 'salon' run by Kitty Schmidt under the secret control of Reinhard Heydrich, one of the architects of the Final Solution.

Salon Kitty was the most notorious brothel in the decadent Berlin of the Weimar Republic - the city of Cabaret. But after the Nazis took power, it became something more dangerous: a spying centre with every room wired for sound, staffed by female agents specially selected by the SS to coax secrets from their VIP clients. Masterminded by Reinhard Heydrich, the spymaster whom Hitler himself called 'the man with the iron heart', the exclusive establishment turned listening post was patronised by the Nazi leaders themselves, not knowing that hidden ears were listening.

One of the last untold stories of the Second World War, Salon Kitty's sensational true story is now revealed by historians Nigel Jones, Urs Brunner and Dr Julia Schrammel. After years of painstaking research and investigation, the book sheds new light on Nazi methods of control and coercion, and the way sex was abused for their own perverse purposes.

Historian and journalist NIGEL JONES is the author of eight historical books and biographies. An authority on the poets of the Great War and the rise of Nazism and Fascism between the world wars, he has also guided historical tours of the Western Front, Germany and Italy for several years. A former deputy editor of *History Today* and a founding editor of *BBC History* magazine, he writes and reviews regularly for these and other national newspapers and magazines, and frequently appears in TV historical documentaries.

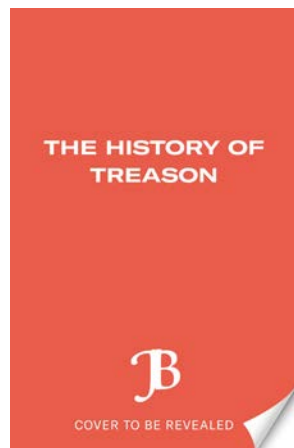
URS BRUNNER studied History, Politics and Literature at the University of Zurich and the American University of Cairo, and works as a freelance journalist.

DR. JULIA SCHRAMMELL is an Austrian journalist who studied at the University of Salzburg and works with several media companies.

The History of Treason

The National Archive

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The only complete study of treason in Britain from the introduction of the Treason Act in 1352, to the last execution for treason after the Second World War.

The History of Treason details British history from 1351 to 1945, covering major historical moments in an innovative way, using the history of high treason and deception as its theme.

Appealing to a range of audiences, it covers over 750 years of history through the use of both famous and lesser-known events which shaped Britain. Using original documents and detailed research undertaken by The National Archive's record specialists, it will cover moments in history which led to fundamental changes in eras. It will also include unique discoveries from TNA's archives, uncovering mysteries and stories of how dealing with treason have brought about the changes which have influenced and shaped Britain from the introduction of the Treason Act in 1352 right through to the twentieth century.

Among these are: the trial and execution of Anne Boleyn on the orders of her husband, Henry VIII; several major acts of sedition, including the Popish Gunpowder Plot and the revolution plotted in the Cato Street conspiracy; the evidence brought against the Irish patriot Sir Roger Casement, executed at Pentonville and his remains later exhumed and given a state funeral in Ireland; the trial and execution of the William Joyce who, as 'Lord Haw-Haw', broadcast Nazi propaganda from Berlin during the Second World War.

Written by expert historians at the National Archives, the book is copiously illustrated with images from The National Archive's unrivalled collections.

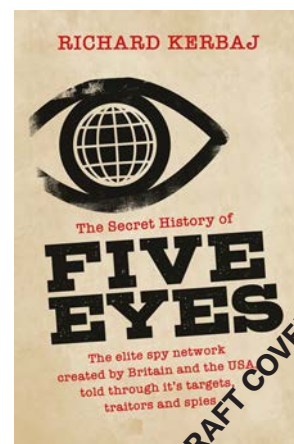
The National Archive's team of authors includes CHRIS DAY, Head of Modern Domestic Record; EUAN ROGER, Principal Record Specialist in Medieval History (and Early Modern expert); NEIL JOHNSTON, Head of Early Modern (and expert on Irish history); DAN GOSLING, Legal Record Specialist.

Five Eyes

The Secret History Through Its Targets, Traitors and Spies

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The first published account of the Five Eyes, the elite spy network created by Britain and the United States that industrialised espionage operations.

Drawn from five countries - Britain, America, Canada, Australia and New Zealand - the Five Eyes has been steeped in secrecy since its formation in 1956, its existence only publicly acknowledged as recently as 2010. On the one hand, it is an alliance held together by a common language and cause, whose successes range from the takedown of atomic spies in the 1940s to the exposure of Russian collusion in Donald Trump's 2016 presidential campaign. On the other hand, however, the Five Eyes' very existence is not legally binding - it functions as a marriage of convenience riddled with distrust, competing intelligence agendas and a massive imbalance of power that favours the United States.

Yet until now, there has been no book detailing its long and complex history. *Five Eyes: The Secret History Through Its Targets, Traitors and Spies* is a character-led narrative that weaves together accounts spanning eight decades - from stories of codebreakers in the Second World War to twenty-first century Russian threats to Western democracy and the trade conflict between the US and China which have reshaped national security. Drawing on interviews with intelligence officials and recently declassified archives to reveal authoritative but unauthorised stories, the author, himself an expert in international intelligence and security, bypasses the usual censorship channels to give a definitive account of the Western world's most powerful but least known intelligence alliance.

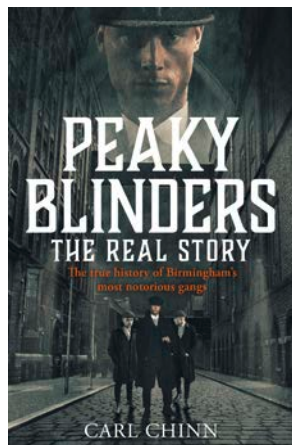
Impeccably researched over many years and including hitherto unpublished interviews with numerous influential players, *Five Eyes* is both a tale of spies and spying, and a major contribution to the literature of international relations in an increasingly dangerous world.

RICHARD KERBAJ is a BAFTA-winning and two-time Emmy-nominated filmmaker and writer who has specialised in investigating crime and national security-related stories for more than fifteen years. He was the security correspondent for the *Sunday Times* between 2010 and 2020. He has written extensively about the impact that counter-terrorism and counter-espionage have had on intelligence agencies, including MI5, MI6, GCHQ and the CIA, in their battle against ISIS and Al Qaeda, and other threats.

Peaky Blinders: The Real Story

The Real Story Behind of Birmingham's Most Notorious Gangs

Carl Chinn



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The *Sunday Times* bestselling series, which dives into Britain's murky underworld, uncovering the country's worst criminals of the mid-twentieth century

Over 425,000 books sold in the series!

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 Billy Kimber, they fought a bloody war with the London gangsters Darby Sabini and Alfie Solomon 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 1920s 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.



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Peaky Blinders: The Legacy

Carl Chinn

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 Darby 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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Peaky Blinders: The Aftermath

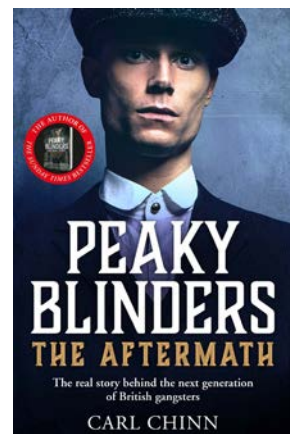
Carl Chinn

As Britain emerges into the mid-twentieth century, change is afoot. Cities are beginning to shift from smog-filled industrial hubs to more efficient metropolitan centres of commerce and, despite the country once again being blighted by war, society is beginning to shift towards a more modern, forward-thinking era. But change is not only limited to regular men and women; under the shifting tides of development, the criminal underbelly, too, is evolving, anxious for new avenues of exploitation and expansion . . .

And so, in the third instalment of his best-selling series, historian Carl Chinn examines this new era in the landscape of Britain's gangs. After the violent reign of the Peaky Blinders, the intimidation of the Birmingham gang and frequent gang wars up and down the country, from the wreckage new groups are emerging with new ways of making money and causing trouble, and, like those who came before them, they leave havoc and destruction in their wake.

Peaky Blinders: The Aftermath will bring this new generation of criminals into focus. And up and down the length of the country, from the dog tracks to the pubs of the East End, it delves into the murky world of the country's most villainous criminals.

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The Curious History of London's Monopoly Streets

Nicholas Boys-Smith

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A new history of London, framed through its Monopoly streets and the colourful stories behind them.

From the medieval cobbles and thatches, through the Dickensian iron and fog, to the neon lights and bustle of the twenty-first century, the ever-changing streets of London hold all our vibrant history in their hands.

Like scars, they map out the struggles and triumphs of every one of the millions of people who ever called this chaotic crossroads on the River Thames home.

From the Romans and Celts marching along the ancient Old Kent Road, to the rattling print presses of Fleet Street, and the iconic lions of Trafalgar Square, the game of Monopoly has painted London's story loud on cheerful coloured tiles.

But London's Monopoly streets live and breathe - they don't just illuminate our history. They open up whole new ways of thinking about it. 'The street' is the language of revolt and danger, atmosphere and scandal. The mobs have taken to our streets. The overlords have taken them back. Ladies of the night have walked them. Wars have spilled into them. Lovers have snuck around them, and great fires have raged through them.

In a city of rags and riches, where folk hero Dick Whittington believed the streets were paved with gold, anything could happen - and everything has.

You may think you know the history of London. You don't. Or at least, not entirely. This is the history of the capital as you've never, quite, read it before.

NICHOLAS BOYS-SMITH is a Londoner. He read history at Cambridge where he received a double first and an historical research MPhil with distinction. After an international career with McKinsey & Co and in finance, he founded and now runs the London-based social enterprise Create Streets. He is also a Commissioner for Historic England with a host of distinguished academic credentials. He has written for the *Spectator*, *Evening Standard*, *Times*, *Sunday Times*, *Telegraph*, *The Critic* and been interviewed across TV and radio.

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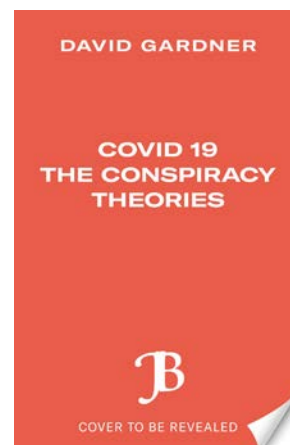
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Covid-19: The Conspiracy Theories

David Gardner

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A clear-eyed examination of the widespread theories and misconceptions about the COVID pandemic and official responses to it.

Investigative journalist David Gardner turns his uncompromising gaze on the many conspiracy theories connected with the COVID pandemic. With first-hand reporting and detailed investigations into the people who originated these COVID theories - some of them plausible, some driven by an agenda, and some plainly mad - he answers the questions that everyone has been asking for over two years since the pandemic began and left us doubting our leaders as never before.

When COVID-19 struck early in 2020, first in China and inexorably through the rest of the world, it quickly became the subject of the most virulent outbreak of conspiracy theories we have ever seen. The pandemic quickly became an info-demic.

The President of the United States championed bleach as a cure, the Chinese government blamed the Americans, and the American government blamed the Chinese - a Cold War over a cold virus. David Icke said that COVID does not exist. People blamed 5G phone networks, genetically modified crops, Bill Gates, Corona beer, aliens, bats and pangolins . . .

Yet these theorists are not all the obsessive cultists and paranoid mavericks with whom the conspiracy-theory label is often associated. They are your parents, your next-door neighbour, your boss at work. The question marks over the origins of COVID-19 and the dangers of the virus persist.

The world has been changed for ever by the events of the past two years. It is crucial that history offers an accurate account of what happened. This book will play a key role in revealing what - and what not - to believe.

DAVID GARDNER is a writer and investigative journalist who divides his time between the UK and California. He is the US correspondent for the London Evening Standard was formerly a senior foreign correspondent for the Daily Mail. His other books include *9/11: The Conspiracy Theories* (John Blake Publishing, 2021) and *The Last of the Hitlers* (2001).

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Unforgettable

My Story of Rugby, Dementia and the Fight of my Life

Steve Thompson



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A powerful, affecting sports memoir from one of the true giants of rugby, and a raw call to arms to safeguard the sports we love and all those who play them.

In 2003, England won the Rugby World Cup. Steve Thompson was there, in the final, in England's front row, at the heart of the match – and at the heart of the scrum, one of sport's most destructive, attritional and repetitive impacts.

But the triumphs came at a cost. The years of hurt in an era of professional meat shields, and the culture of sucking up knocks and coming back for more, have taken a terrible toll. Steve has been diagnosed with early onset dementia, and chronic traumatic encephalopathy. He is in his early forties. There are days when he doesn't remember the names of his wife and four kids.

But Steve doesn't hate the game of rugby. He wants to change it to make it better and safer. So, this is part sports memoir, part manifesto: an affecting, raw call to arms to look after the gladiators who play it for our entertainment.

Despite the setbacks, the constant reminders of what has been lost, and what is still to lose, Steve remains inspirationally positive. To this end, *Unforgettable* stands as testament not to the ravaging of the human mind, but to its ultimate strength – a man no longer pushing himself to the limit for competition but for his own survival and his own place in the world.

STEVE THOMPSON MBE is a former Rugby Union player and 2003 Rugby World Cup winner. Once England's most capped hooker, Thompson has also played for the British & Irish Lions as well as playing almost 200 matches for the Northampton Saints. He is now campaigning to improve the game and safeguard those who play it.

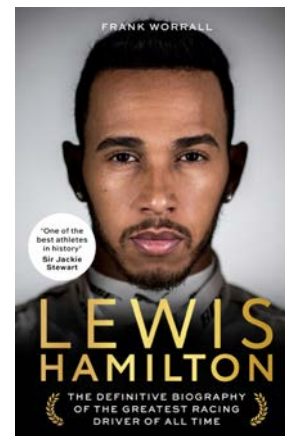
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The Biography

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The biography of the record-breaking multi-world champion, and one of the most dominant sportsmen of all time.

After equalling Michael Schumacher's records in both race wins, and world titles, in 2020, Lewis Hamilton became the joint-most successful racing driver of all time – and the most dominant and successful Briton ever to drive in Formula 1.

Hamilton's debut season in 2007 won him fans around the world, and his place in Formula 1 history was sealed the following year when he became the youngest-ever world champion. In the years since, he has created headlines on and off the track with his rivalries with Nico Rosberg and Sebastian Vettel and relationships that have landed him on the front pages of the tabloids. However, despite the media glare, he has continued to prove his incredible talent and tenacity and remain utterly dominant in his sport.

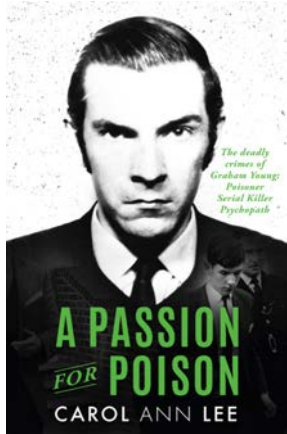
In this insightful biography, bestselling sports author Frank Worrall traces the slipstream of Hamilton's incredible career as the fastest driver on the planet. This is the ultimate story of the driver who has gone from being the rookie Sir Jackie Stewart said 'has rewritten the rule book' to a world champion seven times over, becoming Britain's greatest ever sportsman and, arguably, the finest racer Formula 1 has ever seen.

FRANK WORRALL is a journalist who writes regularly for the *Sunday Times* and the *Sun*. He is also the author of number one bestseller *Roy Keane: Red Man Walking*, and countless football books including *Rooney: Wayne's World*, *Giggsy* and *The Magnificent Sevens*.

A Passion for Poison

The Extraordinary Tale of the Schoolboy Teacup Poisoner

Carol Ann Lee



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The chilling tale of The Teacup Poisoner, Graham Young.

'The whole story is so terrible. You will be disgusted and amazed.'
Graham Young, confessing his crimes to detectives

There are few criminal cases more astonishing yet less well known than that of Graham Young. A quintessentially British crime story set in the post-war London suburbs, it involves two sensational trials, murders both certain and probable, a clutch of forgiving relatives, and scores of surviving victims.

Fourteen in the summer of 1962, Graham stood in the Old Bailey dock charged with poisoning a schoolfriend and family members by adding antimony to their packed lunches, Sunday roast and morning cups of tea. Diagnosed with multiple personality disorders, Graham's trial resulted in his detainment at Broadmoor, where he was the youngest patient.

But it was on his release from Broadmoor that Graham caused the greatest harm. Finding employment in Hadlands, a photographic supplies firm, his role as junior storeman meant he was expected to make tea and coffee for his colleagues. And soon numerous members of staff began experiencing crippling stomach pains...

A psychologically astute insight into the mind of a complex and intriguing individual, *A Passion for Poison* is true crime at its best.

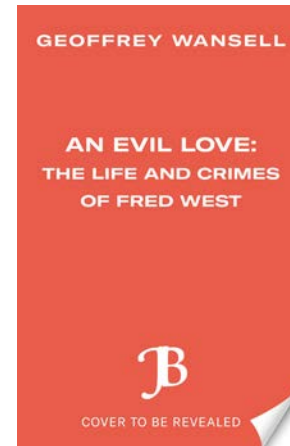
CAROL ANN LEE is the highly acclaimed author of several books, including *One of Your Own: The Life and Death of Myra Hindley*, *Witness: The Story of David Smith*, *A Fine Day for a Hanging: The Real Ruth Ellis Story* and *The Murders at White House Farm: Jeremy Bamber and the Killing of his Family*. *Witness* and *A Fine Day for a Hanging* were both shortlisted for CWA Non-Fiction Dagger Awards.

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An Evil Love

The Life and Crimes of Fred West

Geoffrey Wansell



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The terrifying official story of Fred West's horrific life and crimes - with exclusive access to diaries, videotapes and police interviews. . .

The reverberations from Fred West's crimes continue even to this day. The story never dies.

West was perhaps one of Britain's most evil, feared serial killers. His horrifying compulsion to kidnap, rape and torture his victims before murdering them showed a savagery and cruelty that can hardly be believed. His 'House of Horrors' at 25 Cromwell Street, Gloucester, became a burial ground for the women who fell into his hands.

This new publication of Geoffrey Wansell's iconic, bestselling true crime masterpiece, comes thirty years after West was arrested, in 1992. Dead by suicide by 1994, he never truly faced justice for the twelve murders he was charged with.

Wansell, chosen as West's official biographer, gained exclusive access to all West's police interviews, prison diaries, papers, solicitor interviews and his private collection of video tapes, as well as all the interviews given by his wife, Rose West.

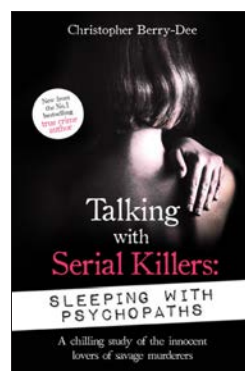
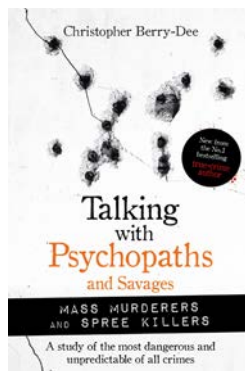
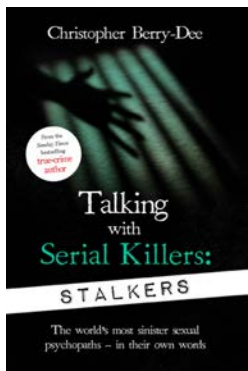
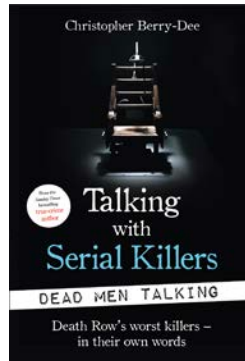
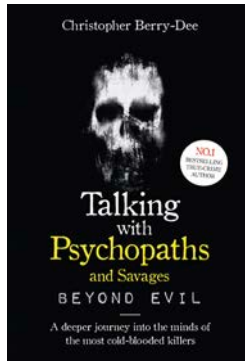
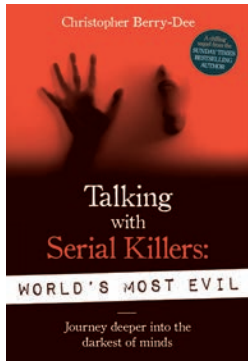
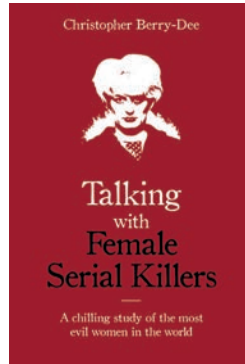
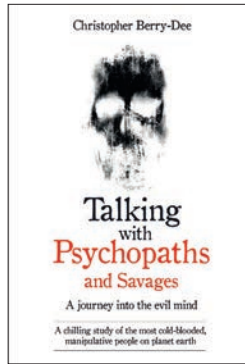
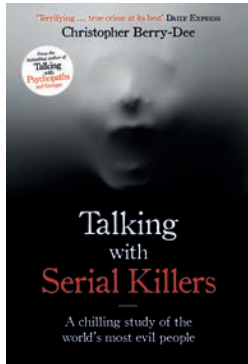
Once and for all, he reveals the full story of Fred and Rose West's horrific lives and crimes, in a chilling book that sets the standard for exploring the minds of our most feared serial killers - up close and personal.

GEOFFREY WANSELL is a London based author, broadcaster and freelance journalist who now works principally for the *Daily Mail* where he is the Crime and Thrillers reviewer. An experienced true crime author, his past books include *The Bus Stop Killer*, about the shocking murder of Milly Dowler, and *An Evil Love*, telling the story of Frederick West through exclusive access to tape recordings.

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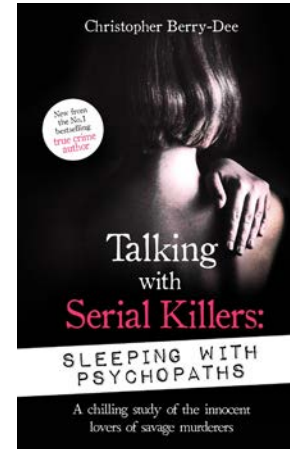
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The UK's number 1 true-crime author examines a different kind of murder victim: the unwitting romantic partners of monstrous killers.

Bestselling writer and criminologist Christopher Berry-Dee turns his attention to an often overlooked kind of victim: the wives or partners of serial murderers who remained unaware of exactly who they had fallen for until after their other half's arrest, or in some cases conviction, for multiple murders.

Sonia Sutcliffe first discovered that her husband, Peter, was leading a secret existence as 'the Yorkshire Ripper' only when he was arrested.

The wife of the 'Hillside Strangler' only learned of her husband's crimes when state police smashed down her door in search of him.

On finding out the truth, these innocents often experience a strange kind of guilt for not having recognised the killer in their home, as well as having to face the grim reality of betrayal and deceit.

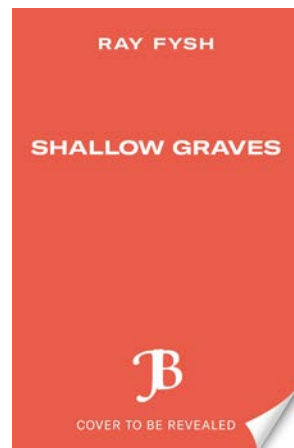
Christopher Berry-Dee speaks directly to killers and their oblivious loved ones to get inside the minds of the men and women who fall for murderers.

CHRISTOPHER BERRY-DEE is a noted writer and criminologist. His recent books include *Talking with Psychopaths and Savages: Journey into the Evil Mind*, the UK's bestselling true-crime title of 2017, and *Talking with Psychopaths and Savages: Mass Murderers and Spree Killers* (2021). He is the country's No. 1 true-crime author. He does not shy away 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.

Shallow Graves

True Stories of My Life as a Forensic Scientist

Ray Fysh



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Incredible stories from the forensic scientist who played a leading role in solving some of the UK's most infamous crimes.

The murder of Sarah Payne, Adam the Thames Torso, the London bombings, the Night Stalker and the poisoning of Alexander Litvinenko... The solving of all these cases can be linked to one man: Ray Fysh, a beer-swigging Charlton Athletic fan from Woolwich, a natural raconteur and also one of the finest forensic detectives the country has ever seen.

Ray began work for the Met Police in the 1970s when forensic investigation was seen as little more than a geeky side show, only in existence to confirm or eliminate evidence. But by the mid 90s Ray and his team had made huge progress in their field, contributing to the UK becoming a world-leading innovator in forensic techniques, with Ray himself being named as Special Adviser to the Forensic Science Service. As the Special Advisor, Ray worked alongside Senior Investigating Officers from day one of a case, directing his team to identify forensic opportunities and harvest case-cracking clues.

As Ray looks back over his career at the cases he worked on, the reader is given unparalleled insight into the highs and lows of an astonishing career, the historic classist snobbery of the Met and the stunning realities of crime and forensics.

RAY FYSH joined the Metropolitan Police forensic science laboratory in 1971 and soon became a key member of the team. When the Metropolitan Police Forensic Science Laboratory merged with the Forensic Science Service in 1996, Ray was established in the newly formed role as a Special Advisor for Major Crime and soon became indispensable to the police forces he served. The phrase 'Ray, just get me some DNA' soon became the well-worn request from leading Senior Investigating Officers, and he did not let them down.

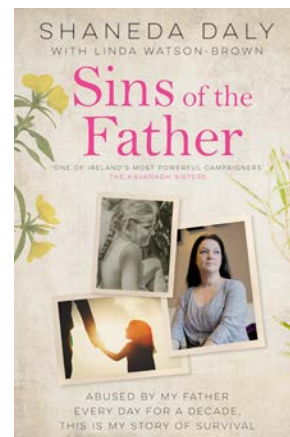
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Sins of the Father

Abused by my father every day for ten years, this is my story of survival

Shaneda Daly with Linda Watson-Brown



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Shaneda Daly tells the story of a decade of horrific abuse by her own father, and how she managed to take back the power he had taken away so cruelly.

'I look back now and see that I never stood a chance. It's hard when you realise your whole childhood was taken away. I never got the chance to be a child.'

Shaneda Daly was only six years old when her father started grooming her. For more than ten years, he would go on to sexually abuse and rape his daughter at least once a day. In her house of doom, the emotional and physical toll on Shaneda was immense. Eventually, her ex-army and prison officer father admitted to his family what he had been doing, agreeing to leave home to get help. Returning after only a year, he was welcomed back, apparently a changed man. With no choice but to accept it, Shaneda lived alongside him again only for him to abuse her once more.

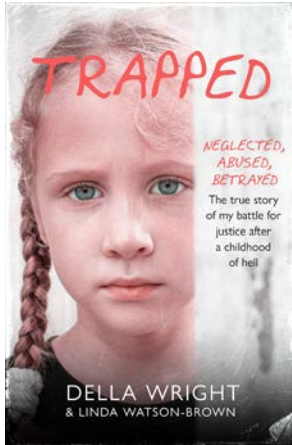
Shaneda managed to contact the police and leave home, finally reclaiming her power and standing up to the man who destroyed her childhood. Decades later, in 2011, she watched as her father was convicted on 227 counts of abuse – the average number that usually secures a conviction is less than 20. Shaneda now fights as a campaigner for other victims and is bravely telling her story fully for the first time: the story of a survivor.

SHANEDA DALY is a campaigner and survivor of abuse. She lives in Ireland where she runs Survivors Side By Side and coordinates support group meetings nationwide, as well as campaigns for mandatory life sentences for those convicted of rape or child abuse. This is her first book.

Trapped

Neglected, Abused, Betrayed

Della Wright and Linda Watson-Brown



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The true story of one woman's battle for justice after a childhood of hell

'I'd been the unwanted child, the little girl who got in the way. I swore I'd put my abuser behind bars and I'd fight with every breath in my body against the life sentence he'd given me. This was my time.'

Della Wright is an incredible campaigner for the rights of abuse victims after suffering a lifetime of betrayal.

Left alone at home for the first time at only two years old by those tasked with her care, Della was let down first by social services. When known paedophile Terry Price entered her life when she was six, moving into her home, he would groom and sexually abuse her for the next five years. Even the sight of a little girl going to his probation meetings wasn't enough to make the authorities act.

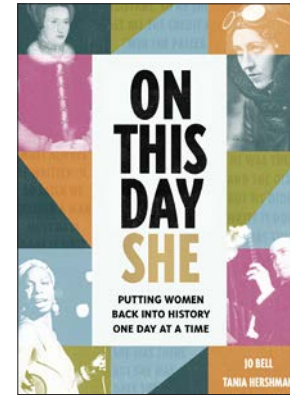
After a lifetime of violent relationships and mental health problems, Della eventually managed to put her childhood abuser behind bars for 22 years, a decade after first going to the police. He had changed his name multiple times to evade detection for his many crimes.

As an ambassador for the Safeguarding Alliance, Della now campaigns to ensure offenders cannot slip through the net by giving themselves new identities. She has vowed to try and stop anyone experiencing the same neglect, betrayal and abuse she did.

DELLA WRIGHT is a campaigner and survivor of abuse. She uses her voice to support other victims and to campaign for and with The Safeguarding Alliance to ensure offenders cannot slip through the net by giving themselves new identities. *Trapped* is her first book.

LINDA WATSON-BROWN is a ghost writer and author. She has written more than 30 books.

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On This Day She

Putting Women Back Into History, One Day at a Time

Jo Bell, Tania Hershman + Ailsa Holland

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.

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A Trip of One's Own

Hope, Heartbreak and Why Travelling Solo Could Change your Life

Kate Wills

Kate Wills' job as a travel journalist offered her the perfect opportunity to escape, 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.

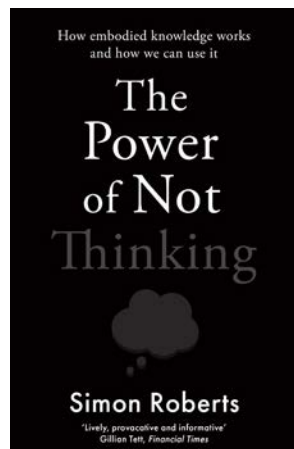
"This paean to traveling alone offers inspiration, humor, and generally great reading." *Booklist*

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How Our Bodies Learn and Why We Should Trust Them

Simon Roberts



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The Power of Not Thinking shows why humans are capable of far more than we are currently led to believe.

We just have to stop thinking and start trusting our bodies.

SIMON ROBERTS is one of 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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Kindness

A User's Guide

Ali Catterall and Kitty Collins

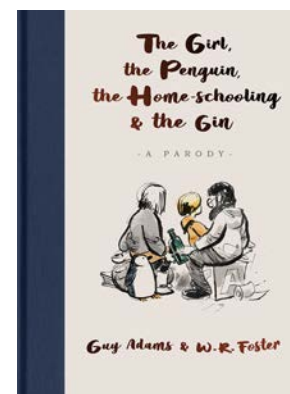
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