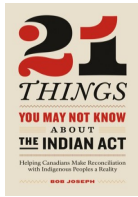

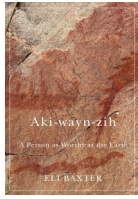
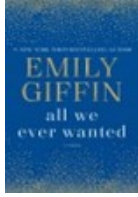

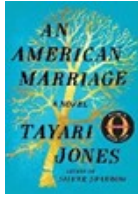

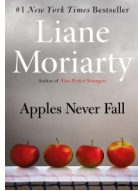



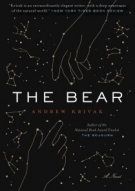
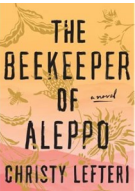
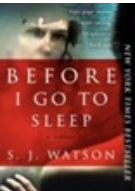

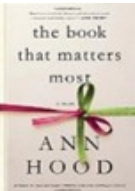




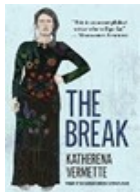

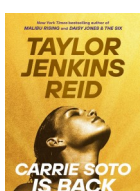
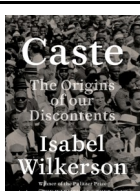
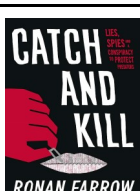
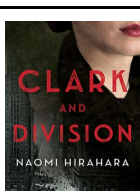
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	<p><b>21 Things You May Not Know About the Indian Act</b> by Bob Joseph 🍁</p> <p>Based on a viral article, 21 Things You May Not Know About the Indian Act is the essential guide to understanding the legal document and its repercussion on generations of Indigenous Peoples, written by a leading cultural sensitivity trainer.</p>
	<p><b>Above all Things</b> by Tanis Rideout 🍁</p> <p>This is a breathtaking novel of love and obsession, which tells the story of George Mallory's legendary attempt to be the first man to conquer Mount Everest - and of the remarkable woman he left behind to await news of his fate.</p>
	<p><b>Aki-wayn-zih: A Person as Worthy as the Earth</b> by Eli Baxter 🍁</p> <p>Aki-wayn-zih is a story about the land and its spiritual relationship with the Anishinaabayg, from the beginning of their life on Miss-koh-tay-sih Minis (Turtle Island) to the present day. Baxter writes about Anishinaabay life before European contact, his memories of trapping, hunting, and fishing with his family, and his experience surviving the residential school system.</p>
	<p><b>All We Ever Wanted</b> by Emily Giffen</p> <p>Nina enjoys a lavish lifestyle and has a son, Finch, who just got accepted to Princeton. Thomas Talone works multiple jobs and has a daughter, Lyla, who was recently accepted to a prestigious private high school on a scholarship. Then scandal strikes, and the worlds of these very different families collide.</p>
	<p><b>The All-Girl Filling Station's Last Reunion</b> by Fannie Flagg <i>*All Copies Large Print*</i></p> <p>The one and only Fannie Flagg, is at her hilarious and superb best in this new comic mystery novel about two women who are forced to reimagine who they are. Fabulous, fun-filled, spanning decades and generations, and centered on a little-known aspect of America's twentieth-century story, is irresistible.</p>
	<p><b>An American Marriage</b> by Tayari Jones</p> <p>Newlyweds Celestial and Roy are the embodiment of both the American Dream and the New South. But as they settle into the routine of their life together, they are ripped apart by circumstances neither could have imagined. Roy is arrested and sentenced to twelve years for a crime Celestial knows he didn't commit.</p>
	<p><b>Anti-Racism Starter Pack</b></p> <p>This set contains copies of <i>Me and White Supremacy</i> by Laya F. Saad, and <i>So You Want to Talk About Race</i> by Ijeoma Oluo. Oluo explores the complex reality of today's racial landscape and Saad teaches readers how to dismantle the privilege within themselves so they can stop inflicting the damage on people of colour, and in turn, help white people do better too.</p>
	<p><b>Apples Never Fall</b> by Liane Moriarty</p> <p>The Delaneys are fixtures in their community: Stan and Joy, are the envy of all of their friends. One night a stranger named Savannah knocks on Stan and Joy's door, bleeding after a fight with her boyfriend. Later, when Joy goes missing, and Savannah is nowhere to be found, the police question the one person who remains: Stan.</p>

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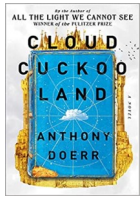

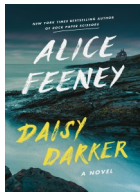

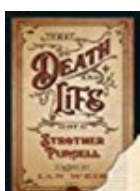
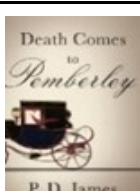


	<p><b><i>The Arrangement</i></b> by Sarah Dunn</p> <p>When friends reveal they've made their marriage open, Lucy balks. There's a part of her though, that worries she's become too comfortable. Why not try a marital experiment? 6 months, clear rules, no questions. After an affair, Lucy must decide what truly makes her happy, "real life," or the "experiment?"</p>
	<p><b><i>The Atomic City Girls</i></b> by Janet Beard</p> <p>In 1944, 18 year-old June boards a bus, destined for a city that doesn't officially exist: Oak Ridge. June joins 100s of other young girls operating machines whose purpose is never explained. When the bombing of Hiroshima brings the truth about Oak Ridge into devastating focus, June must confront her ideals.</p>
	<p><b><i>Based on a True Story</i></b> by Elizabeth Renzetti 🍁</p> <p>Augusta Price is famous for playing a slatternly barmaid on a nighttime soap opera and she has had an improbable hit with her memoir (based on a true story, but only very loosely). Now, a man she once loved has written a book, and Augusta is terrified that her story will be revealed as the web of lies it really is.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Bear</i></b> by Andrew Krivak</p> <p>In an Eden-like future, a girl and her father live close to the land in the shadow of a lone mountain. A cautionary tale of human fragility, of love and loss, <i>The Bear</i> is a stunning tribute to the beauty of nature's domain.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Beekeeper of Aleppo</i></b> by Christy Lefteri</p> <p>Nuri is a beekeeper, his wife, Afra, an artist. They live a simple life in the beautiful Syrian city of Aleppo—until the unthinkable happens. When all they care for is destroyed by war, they are forced to escape.</p>
	<p><b><i>Before I Go to Sleep</i></b> by S. J. Watson</p> <p>Without her husband's knowledge, Christine, whose memory is damaged by a long-ago accident, is treated by a neurologist who helps her to remember her former self through journal entries until inconsistencies begin to emerge, raising disturbing questions.</p>
	<p><b><i>Before the Fall</i></b> by Noah Hawley</p> <p>On a foggy summer night, eleven people: ten privileged and one down-on-his-luck painter, depart Martha's Vineyard on a private jet headed for New York. Sixteen minutes later, the unthinkable happens: the plane plunges into the ocean. The only survivors are the painter Scott Burroughs and a four-year-old boy.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Book That Matters Most</i></b> by Ann Hood</p> <p>Ava's marriage has fallen apart, and her two children are pursuing their own lives. Ava joins a book club, not only for her love of reading but also out of sheer desperation for companionship. Each member is to present the book that matters most to them, leading Ava to rediscover a mysterious book from her childhood.</p>

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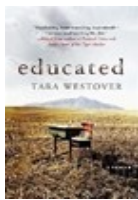
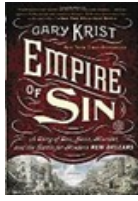
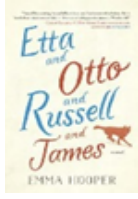
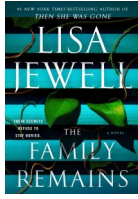

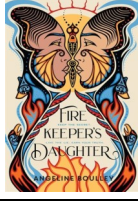
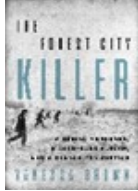
	<p><b><i>The Boy from the Woods</i></b> by Harlan Coben</p> <p>Thirty years ago, Wilde was found as a boy living feral in the woods, with no memory of his past. Now an adult, he still doesn't know where he comes from, and another child has gone missing.</p>
	<p><b><i>Brain on Fire: My Month of Madness</i></b> by Susannah Cahalan</p> <p>When twenty-four-year-old Susannah Cahalan woke up alone in a hospital room, strapped to her bed and unable to move or speak, she had no memory of how she'd gotten there. Days earlier, she had been on the threshold of a new, adult life: Now she was labeled violent, psychotic, a flight risk. What happened?</p>
	<p><b><i>The Break</i></b> by Katherena Vermette 🍁</p> <p>When Stella, looks out her window one evening and spots someone in trouble, she calls the police to alert them to a possible crime. In a series of shifting narratives, people who are connected, both directly and indirectly, with the victim — police, family, and friends — tell their personal stories leading up to that night.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Bucket List</i></b> by Georgia Clark</p> <p>25-year-old Lacey is diagnosed with the BRCA1 gene mutation: the “breast cancer” gene. Her high risk forces a decision: increased surveillance or a preventative double mastectomy. To help choose, she creates a “boob bucket list”: everything she wants do with and for her boobs before a possible surgery.</p>
	<p><b><i>Carrie Soto is Back</i></b> by Taylor Jenkins Reid</p> <p>Carrie Soto is fierce, and her determination to win at any cost has not made her popular. But by the time she retires from tennis, she is the best player the world has ever seen. But six years after her retirement, Carrie finds herself watching her record be taken from her. At 37, Carrie makes the decision to come out of retirement in an attempt to reclaim her record.</p>
	<p><b><i>Caste The Origins of Our Discontents</i></b> by Isabel Wilkerson</p> <p>In this brilliant book, Isabel Wilkerson gives us a masterful portrait of an unseen phenomenon in America as she explores, through an immersive, deeply researched narrative and stories about real people, how America today and throughout its history has been shaped by a hidden caste system, a rigid hierarchy of human rankings.</p>
	<p><b><i>Catch and Kill</i></b> by Ronan Farrow</p> <p>In a dramatic account of violence and espionage, Pulitzer Prize winning investigative reporter Ronan Farrow exposes serial abusers and a cabal of powerful interests hell-bent on covering up the truth, at any cost.</p>
	<p><b><i>Clark and Division</i></b> by Naomi Hirahara</p> <p>Set in 1944 Chicago, Edgar Award-winner Naomi Hirahara's eye-opening and poignant new mystery, the story of a young woman searching for the truth about her revered older sister's death, brings to focus the struggles of one Japanese American family released from mass incarceration at Manzanar during World War II.</p>




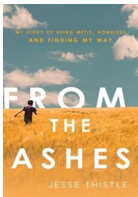
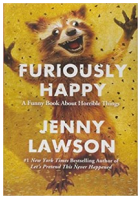
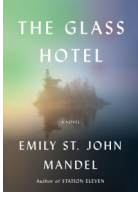

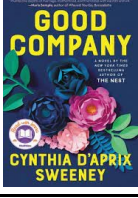
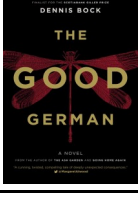

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	<p><b><i>Cloud Cuckoo Land</i></b> by Anthony Doerr</p> <p>Set in Constantinople in the fifteenth century, in a small town in present-day Idaho, and on an interstellar ship decades from now, <i>Cloud Cuckoo Land</i> is a triumph of imagination and compassion, a soaring story about children on the cusp of adulthood in worlds in peril, who find resilience, hope—and a book.</p>
	<p><b><i>Crazy Rich Asians</i></b> by Kevin Kwan</p> <p>An insider's look at the Asian Jet Set, a perfect depiction of the clash between old money and new money, between Overseas Chinese and Mainland Chinese, and a fabulous novel about what it means to be young, in love, and gloriously, disgustingly rich.</p>
	<p><b><i>Daisy Darker</i></b> by Alice Feeney</p> <p>After years of avoiding each other, Daisy Darker's entire family is assembling for Nana's 80th birthday in her crumbling gothic house on a tiny tidal island. When the tide comes in, they will be cut off from the rest of the world for 8 hours. At the stroke of midnight, as a storm rages, Nana is found dead. And an hour later, the next family member follows...</p>
	<p><b><i>Daring Greatly</i></b> by Brené Brown</p> <p>Every day we experience the uncertainty, risks, and emotional exposure that define what it means to be vulnerable or to dare greatly. Based on twelve years of pioneering research, Dr. Brown dispels the cultural myth that vulnerability is weakness and argues that it is, in truth, our most accurate measure of courage.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Death and Life of Strother Purcell</i></b> by Ian Weir 🍁</p> <p>In 1876, the fabled lawman Strother Purcell disappears into a winter storm in the mountains of BC. 16 years later, Purcell resurfaces in San Francisco; derelict, homeless and one-eyed. Failed journalist Barrington Weaver conceives a grand redemptive plan. He will write Purcell's true-life story. All it requires is a final act.</p>
	<p><b><i>Death Comes to Pemberley</i></b> by PD James</p> <p>Inspired by <i>Pride &amp; Prejudice</i>: it is 1803, and Darcy and Elizabeth have been happily married for six years. Their peaceful lives are disturbed when a chaise appears, rocking down the path from Pemberley's wild woodland. As it pulls up Lydia Wickham tumbles out, screaming that her husband has been murdered.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Death of Mrs. Westaway</i></b> by Ruth Ware</p> <p>Hal is a tarot reader that doesn't believe in the power of her trade. When she receives a mysterious a letter that it wasn't meant for her, she realizes can try to use her cold-reading skills to potentially claim an inheritance. But, it soon dawns on her that there is something very, very wrong about this strange situation.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Diamond Eye</i></b> by Kate Quinn</p> <p>In 1937 in the snowbound city of Kiev, Mila Pavlichenko organizes her life around her library job and her young son—but Hitler's invasion of Ukraine and Russia sends her on a different path. Given a rifle and sent to join the fight, Mila must forge herself from studious girl to deadly sniper—a lethal hunter of Nazis known as Lady Death.</p>

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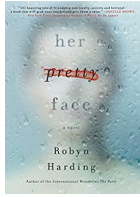
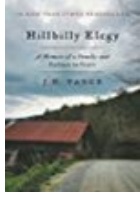


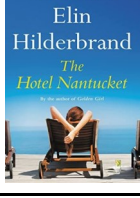

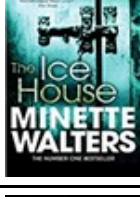
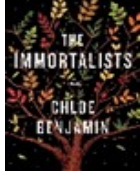
	<p><b><i>The Dinner</i></b> by Herman Koch</p> <p>It's a summer's evening in Amsterdam, and two couples meet at a fashionable restaurant for dinner. Each couple has a 15 year-old son. The boys are united by their accountability for a single horrific act; an act that has triggered a police investigation and shattered the comfortable, insulated worlds of their families.</p>
	<p><b><i>Educated</i></b> by Tara Westover</p> <p>Tara Westover was seventeen when she first set foot in a classroom. She had no birth certificate and no medical records. Instead of traditional lessons, she grew up learning how to stew herbs into medicine, scavenging in the family scrap yard and helping her family prepare for the apocalypse.</p>
	<p><b><i>Empire of Sin</i></b> by Gary Krist</p> <p>The remarkable story of New Orleans' thirty-year war against itself, pitting the city's elite against its powerful and long-entrenched underworld: flamboyant prostitutes, moral reformers, dissolute jazzmen, ruthless Mafiosi, venal politicians, and a serial killer, all battling for primacy in a wild and wicked city unlike any other.</p>
	<p><b><i>Etta and Otto and Russell and James</i></b> by Emma Hooper 🇨🇦</p> <p>Eighty-two-year-old Etta has never seen the ocean. So, early one morning she takes a rifle, some chocolate, and her best boots, and begins walking the 3,232 kilometers from Saskatchewan to Halifax. This is a story of pilgrimage, fulfilling lifelong promises, a talking coyote called James, and unlikely heroes.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Family Remains</i></b> by Lisa Jewell</p> <p>Early one morning, DCI Samuel Owusu is called to the scene of a gruesome discovery. Rachel Rimmer has received the news that her husband has been found dead. After fleeing London thirty years ago, Lucy Lamb is finally coming home. All are faced with complicated mysteries that are linked to a cold case that left three dead in a Chelsea mansion 30 years ago.</p>
	<p><b><i>February</i></b> by Lisa Moore 🇨🇦</p> <p>Propelled by a local tragedy, in which an oil rig sinks in a violent storm off the coast of Newfoundland, 'February' follows the life of Helen O'Mara, widowed by the accident, as she continuously spirals from the present day back to that devastating and transformative winter that persists in her mind and heart.</p>
	<p><b><i>Firekeeper's Daughter</i></b> by Angeline Boulley</p> <p>As a biracial, unenrolled tribal member and the product of a scandal, eighteen-year-old Daunis Fontaine has never quite fit in, both in her hometown and on the nearby Ojibway reservation. Daunis dreams of studying medicine, but when her family is struck by tragedy, she puts her future on hold to care for her fragile mother.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Forest City Killer</i></b> by Vanessa Brown 🇨🇦</p> <p>50 years ago, a serial killer prowled London, Ontario, marking it as his hunting grounds. Detective Dennis Alsop began hunting the killer in the 1960s, and he didn't stop until his death 40 years later. Combing through the files Detective Alsop left behind, researcher Vanessa Brown reopens the cases.</p>

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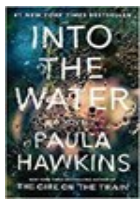
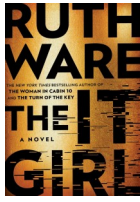


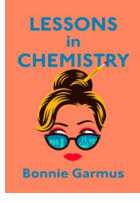

	<p><b><i>The Four Winds</i></b> by Kristin Hannah</p> <p>Texas, 1934. Millions are out of work and a drought has broken the Great Plains. Farmers are fighting to keep their land and their livelihoods as the crops are failing, the water is drying up, and dust threatens to bury them all. One of the darkest periods of the Great Depression, the Dust Bowl era, has arrived with a vengeance.</p>
	<p><b><i>From the Ashes</i></b> by Jesse Thistle 🍁</p> <p>In this extraordinary and inspiring debut memoir, Jesse Thistle—once a high school dropout and now a rising Indigenous scholar—chronicles his life on the streets and how he overcame trauma and addiction to discover the truth about who he is.</p>
	<p><b><i>Furiously Happy</i></b> by Jenny Lawson</p> <p>In this humour memoir tinged with just enough tragedy and pathos to make it worthwhile, Jenny Lawson examines her own experience with severe depression and a host of other conditions, and explains how it has led her to live life to the fullest.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Glass Hotel</i></b> by Emily St. John Mandel 🍁</p> <p>A captivating novel of money, beauty, white-collar crime, ghosts, and moral compromise in which a woman disappears from a container ship off the coast of Mauritania and a massive Ponzi scheme implodes in New York, dragging countless fortunes with it.</p>
	<p><b><i>Gone to Pot</i></b> by Jennifer Craig 🍁</p> <p>After losing her job and learning she might also lose her house because of a bad investment, Jess, a fiercely independent and hilariously wry BC grandma, resorts to growing pot in her basement to make ends meet. She then has to juggle her public life with her secret life as a pot grower.</p>
	<p><b><i>Good Company</i></b> by Cynthia D'Aprix Sweeney</p> <p>Flora Mancini has been happily married for more than twenty years. But everything she thought she knew about herself, her marriage, and her relationship with her best friend, Margot, is upended when she stumbles upon an envelope containing her husband's wedding ring—the one he claimed he lost one summer when their daughter, Ruby, was five.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Good German</i></b> by Dennis Bock 🍁</p> <p>In November 1939, a German anti-fascist named Georg Elser came as close to assassinating Adolf Hitler as anyone ever had. In this gripping novel of alternate history, he doesn't just come close—he succeeds. But he could never have imagined the terrible consequences that would follow from this act of heroism.</p>
	<p><b><i>Haven</i></b> by Emma Donoghue 🍁</p> <p>In 7th century Ireland, a priest named Artt has a dream in which God tells him to leave the sinful world behind. With two monks—Trian and Cormac—he rows down the River Shannon in search of an isolated spot in which to found a monastery. Drifting out to sea, they find the steep, bare island known today as Skellig Michael. In such a place, what will survival mean?</p>



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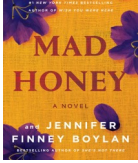
	<p><b><i>Her Pretty Face</i></b> by Robyn Harding 🍁</p> <p>Frances had high hopes when her troubled son got accepted into the elite Forrester Academy. But after an incident at school leads the other children and their families to ostracize them, she feels more alone than ever before. Until she meets Kate. As the two bond, a startling secret threatens to tear them apart—one of these women is not who she seems. She's a murderer.</p>
	<p><b><i>Hillbilly Elegy</i></b> by J.D. Vance</p> <p>A powerful account of growing up in a poor Rust Belt town that offers a broader, probing look at the struggles of America's white working class. A deeply moving memoir with its share of humor and vividly colorful figures, and an urgent and troubling meditation on the loss of the American dream.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Home for Unwanted Girls</i></b> by Joanna Goodman 🍁</p> <p>When she becomes pregnant at age 15, Maggie's parents force her to give up her baby daughter. Elodie is raised in an orphanage turned psychiatric hospital until her release at age 17. Maggie, now married, reconnects with her first love and begins actively searching for her daughter, who she has never forgotten.</p>
	<p><b><i>Homes: A Refugee Story</i></b> by Abu Bakr al Rabeeah &amp; Winnie Yeung 🍁</p> <p>The al Rabeeah family left Iraq in hope of a safer life. They moved to Syria — just before the Syrian civil war broke out. Abu Bakr, was ten years old when the violence began on the streets around him. <i>Homes</i> tells of the strange juxtapositions of growing up in a war zone: horrific events punctuated by normalcy.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Hotel Nantucket</i></b> by Elin Hilderbrand</p> <p>Fresh off a breakup, Lizbet Keaton is desperately seeking a second act. When she's named the new manager of the Hotel Nantucket, a Gilded Age gem turned eyesore, she hopes that her expertise and charismatic staff can win the favor of new owner, Xavier Darling, as well as that of Shelly Carpenter, the popular Instagram tastemaker who can help put them back on the map.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Huntress</i></b> by Kate Quinn</p> <p>A battle-haunted English journalist and a Russian female bomber pilot who join forces to track the Huntress, a Nazi war criminal gone to ground in America. When her long-widowed father unexpectedly comes home with a new fiancée, Jordan is thrilled. But there is something disconcerting about the soft-spoken widow.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Ice House</i></b> by Minette Walters</p> <p>The people of Streech village had never trusted the 3 women living up at the Grange; not since Phoebe Maybury's husband suddenly vanished. Ten years later a corpse is discovered and Phoebe's nightmare begins. For once they have identified the body the police are determined to charge her with murder...</p>
	<p><b><i>The Immortalists</i></b> by Chloe Benjamin</p> <p>If you knew the date of your death, how would you live your life? It's 1969 in New York City's Lower East Side, and word has spread of the arrival of a mystical woman, a traveling psychic who claims to be able to tell anyone the day they will die. The four Gold children sneak out to hear their fortunes.</p>

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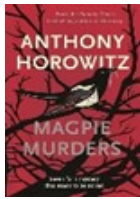
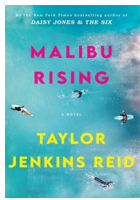
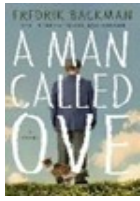




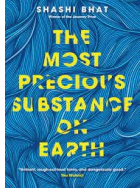
	<p><b><i>Inconvenient Indian</i></b> by Thomas King 🍁</p> <p>Distills the insights gleaned from Thomas King's critical and personal meditation on what it means to be "Indian" in North America. A sometimes inconvenient but nonetheless indispensable account for all of us, Indian and non-Indian alike, seeking to understand how we might tell a new story for the future.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Institute</i></b> by Stephen King</p> <p>In the middle of the night, in a house on a quiet street in suburban Minneapolis, intruders silently murder Luke Ellis's parents and load him into a black SUV. Luke will wake up at The Institute, in a room that looks just like his own, except there's no window. And outside his door are other doors, behind which are other kids with special talents—telekinesis and telepathy—who got to this place the same way Luke did.</p>
	<p><b><i>Into The Water</i></b> by Paula Hawkins</p> <p>First a teenage girl, then a single mother turn up dead at the bottom of the river that runs through town. They are not the first women lost to these dark waters, but their deaths disturb the river and its history, dredging up secrets long submerged.</p>
	<p><b><i>The It Girl</i></b> by Ruth Ware</p> <p>After John Neville, the man convicted of killing her best friend April 10 years earlier, dies in prison and new information surfaces proving his innocence, expectant mother Hannah Jones reconnects with old friends to solve the mystery of April's death and realizes they all have something to hide.</p>
	<p><b><i>Juliet's Answer</i></b> by Glenn Dixon 🍁</p> <p>Eat, Pray, Love (from a man's perspective) meets Under the Tuscan Sun—a true, fresh, heartwarming story about a high school English teacher who travels to Verona, where he answers letters addressed to Shakespeare's Juliet, all in an attempt to understand heartbreak, to heal and to find love again.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Kingfisher Secret</i></b> by Anonymous</p> <p>Who owns the most powerful man in the world? Her code name is Kingfisher. Her mission: to seduce and marry a man of wealth and political influence. Now she must protect a terrifying secret. Spies, murder, and one of the biggest conspiracies of our time lie at the heart of this immersive thriller.</p>
	<p><b><i>Lessons in Chemistry</i></b> by Bonnie Garmus</p> <p>It's the 1960s, and Chemist Elizabeth Zott's all-male team at Hastings Research Institute has an unscientific view of equality. Except one: Calvin Evans. But, like science, life is unpredictable: a few years later Elizabeth is a single mother and the star of America's most beloved cooking show; not just teaching women to cook, but how to change the status quo.</p>
	<p><b><i>Let Me Lie</i></b> by Clare Mackintosh</p> <p>Last year, Tom and Caroline Johnson chose to end their lives, one seemingly unable to live without the other. Their daughter, Anna, is struggling to come to terms with her parents' deaths, unwilling to accept the verdict of suicide. But as she digs up the past, someone is trying to stop her.</p>



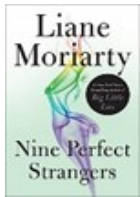
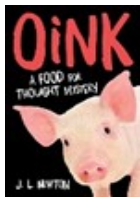
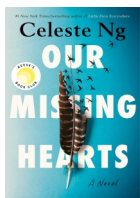
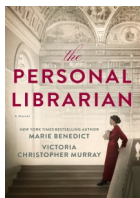
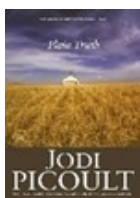
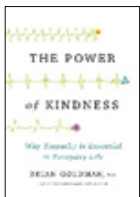

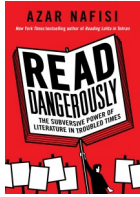
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	<p><b><i>The Light We Carry</i></b> by Michelle Obama</p> <p>Mrs. Obama offers readers a series of fresh stories and insightful reflections on change, challenge, and power. Drawing from her experiences as a mother, daughter, spouse, friend, and First Lady, she shares the habits and principles she has developed to successfully adapt to change and overcome various obstacles.</p>
	<p><b><i>Little Fires Everywhere</i></b> by Celeste Ng</p> <p>Traces the intertwined fates of the picture-perfect Richardson family and the enigmatic mother and daughter who upend their lives, while exploring the weight of secrets, the nature of art and identity, and the ferocious pull of motherhood—and the danger of believing that following the rules can avert disaster.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Little Old Lady Who Broke All the Rules</i></b> by Catharina Ingleman-Sundberg</p> <p>Seventy-nine-year-old Martha Andersson dreams of escaping the dull, drab life of the retirement home. With no intention of spending the rest of her days confined to an armchair, she enlists her four oldest friends to rebel against the rules that oppose them.</p>
	<p><b><i>Local Gone Missing</i></b> by Fiona Barton</p> <p>Detective Elise King sees the growing tensions in her small town of Ebbing—the weekends renovating old homes, and the locals resentful of the changes. The conflicts boil over when a newcomer holds a giant music festival: two teenagers overdose on drugs, and a man disappears. So, Elise starts digging for answers.</p>
	<p><b><i>Long Bright River</i></b> by Liz Moore</p> <p>Two sisters travel the same streets, though their lives couldn't be more different. Then, one of them goes missing. Long Bright River is at once heart-pounding and heart-wrenching: a gripping suspense novel that is also a moving story of sisters, addiction, and the formidable ties that persist between place, family, and fate.</p>
	<p><b><i>Looking for Jane</i></b> by Heather Marshall 🍁</p> <p>The tale of a mother and a son whose lives were scarred by the forces of hypocrisy on both sides of the Atlantic and of the secrets they were forced to keep. A compelling narrative of human love and loss, Martin Sixsmith's moving account is both heartbreaking yet ultimately redemptive.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Lost Child of Philomena Lee</i></b> by Martin Sixsmith</p> <p>The tale of a mother and a son whose lives were scarred by the forces of hypocrisy on both sides of the Atlantic and of the secrets they were forced to keep. A compelling narrative of human love and loss, Martin Sixsmith's moving account is both heartbreaking yet ultimately redemptive.</p>
	<p><b><i>Mad Honey</i></b> by Jody Picoult and Jennifer Finney Boylan <b>Available Dec 2023</b></p> <p>Olivia knows what it is like to start over. Her picture-perfect life was upended when her husband revealed a darker side. She never imagined she would be back in her New Hampshire hometown. Lily is familiar with do-overs, too. When she and her mom relocate to New Hampshire, they both hope it will be a fresh start. Until Lily turns up dead.</p>

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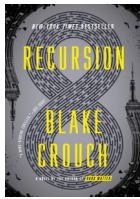


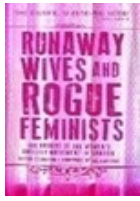

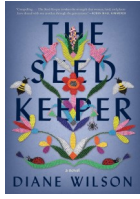
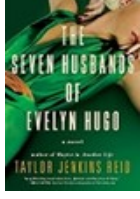
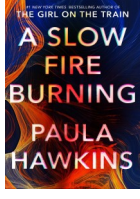
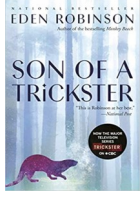



	<p><b><i>Magpie Murders</i></b> by Anthony Horowitz</p> <p>When editor Susan Ryeland is given the manuscript of Alan Conway's latest novel, she has no reason to think it will be different from any of his others but the more Susan reads, the more she's convinced that there is another story hidden in the pages of the manuscript: one of real-life jealousy, greed and murder.</p>
	<p><b><i>Malibu Rising</i></b> by Taylor Jenkins Reid</p> <p><i>Malibu Rising</i> is a story about one unforgettable night in the life of a family: the night they each have to choose what they will keep from the people who made them... and what they will leave behind.</p>
	<p><b><i>A Man Called Ove</i></b> by Fredrik Bachman</p> <p>One November morning a chatty young couple with two daughters move in next door and accidentally flatten Ove's mailbox resulting in a comical, heartwarming tale of unkempt cats, unexpected friendship, and the ancient art of backing up a U-Haul; changing one cranky old man to his very foundations.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Marrow Thieves</i></b> by Cherie Dimaline 🍁</p> <p>Humanity has nearly destroyed its world through global warming, but now an even greater evil lurks. The indigenous people of North America are being hunted and harvested for their bone marrow, which carries the key to recovering something the rest of the population has lost: the ability to dream.</p>
	<p><b><i>Mexican Gothic</i></b> by Sylvia Moreno-Garcia 🍁</p> <p>After receiving a frantic letter from her newly-wed cousin begging for someone to save her from a mysterious doom, Noemí Taboada heads to High Place, a distant house in the Mexican countryside. Mesmerized by the terrifying yet seductive world of High Place, Noemí may soon find it impossible to ever leave this enigmatic house behind.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Midnight Library</i></b> by Matt Haig</p> <p>Between life and death there is a library, and within that library, the shelves go on forever. Every book provides a chance to try another life you could have lived. To see how things would be if you had made other choices . . . Would you have done anything different, if you had the chance to undo your regrets?</p>
	<p><b><i>Moon of the Crusted Snow</i></b> by Waubgeshig Rice 🍁</p> <p>With winter looming, a small northern Anishinaabe community goes dark. Cut off, people become passive and confused. Panic builds as the food supply dwindles. While the band council and a pocket of community members work to maintain order, an unexpected visitor arrives. As one society collapses, another is reborn.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Most Precious Substance on Earth</i></b> by Shashi Bhat</p> <p>Darkly funny, deeply moving, at times unsettling and even shocking, Shashi Bhat's irresistible novel examines the fraught relationships between those who take and those who have something taken. Rich with wry humour and sharp-edged insight, <i>The Most Precious Substance on Earth</i> is an unforgettable portrait of how silence can shape a life.</p>

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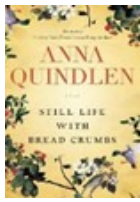



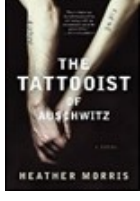

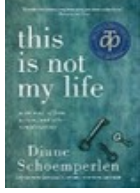
	<p><b><i>Nine Perfect Strangers</i></b> by Liane Moriarty</p> <p>Nine people gather at a remote health resort. Amidst all of the luxury and pampering, the mindfulness and meditation, they know these ten days might involve some real work. But none of them could imagine just how challenging the next ten days are going to be. From the author of <i>Big Little Lies</i>.</p>
	<p><b><i>Oink</i></b> by J.L. Newton</p> <p>Emily Addams, foodie professor of women's studies at Arbor State--a land grant university in Northern California--finds herself an unlikely suspect in the poisoning of a man she barely knows. This witty, lively romp was called "a highly educated foodie's dream" by Kirkus reviews.</p>
	<p><b><i>Our Missing Hearts</i></b> by Celeste Ng</p> <p>12 year-old Bird lives a quiet existence with his loving father. His mother, a Chinese American poet, left without a trace when he was 9 years old. He doesn't know what happened to her—only that her books have been banned. One day, Bird receives a mysterious letter containing only a cryptic drawing, and soon he is pulled into a quest to find her.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Personal Librarian</i></b> by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray</p> <p><i>The Personal Librarian</i> tells the story of an extraordinary woman, famous for her intellect, style, and wit, and shares the lengths she must go to—for the protection of her family and her legacy—to preserve her carefully crafted white identity in the racist world in which she lives.</p>
	<p><b><i>Plain Truth</i></b> by Jodi Picoult</p> <p>When an Amish teen hides a pregnancy, gives birth in secret, and then denies it all when the baby's body is found, defense attorney Ellie Hathaway decides to defend her. But she finds herself caught in a clash of cultures and discovers that circumstances are not always what they seem.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Power of Kindness</i></b> by Brian Goldman 🍁</p> <p>Dr. Brian Goldman has a successful career as an emergency room physician. He always believed that caring came naturally to physicians. But time, stress, errors, and heavy expectations left him wondering if he might not be the same caring doctor he thought he was at the beginning of his career.</p>
	<p><b><i>Queenie Malone's Paradise Hotel</i></b> by Ruth Hogan</p> <p>Tilly loved living in Queenie Malone's magnificent Paradise Hotel with its endearing family of misfits and Tilly's childhood was shattered when she is sent away to boarding school with little explanation. When her mother dies, Tilda returns and with the help Queenie sets about unravelling the mystery of her exile.</p>
	<p><b><i>Read Dangerously</i></b> by Azar Nafisi</p> <p>What is the role of literature in an era when one political party wages continual war on writers and the press? What is the connection between political strife in our daily lives, and the way we meet our enemies on the page in fiction? How can literature, through its free exchange, affect politics? In this guide to literature as resistance, Nafisi seeks to answer these questions.</p>




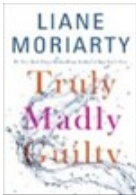
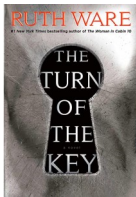
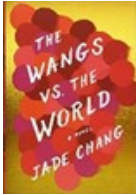


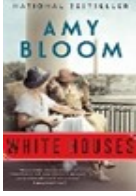
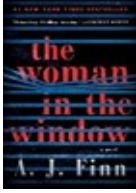
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	<p><b><i>Recursion</i></b> by Blake Crouch</p> <p>At first, it looks like a disease. An epidemic that spreads through no known means, driving its victims mad with memories of a life they never lived. But the force that's sweeping the world is no pathogen. It's just the first shock wave, unleashed by a stunning discovery—and what's in jeopardy is not our minds but the very fabric of time itself.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Right to be Cold</i></b> by Sheila Watt-Cloutier </p> <p>This is a human story of resilience, commitment, and survival told from the unique vantage point of an Inuk woman who, in spite of many obstacles, rose from humble beginnings in the Arctic to become one of the most influential and decorated environmental, cultural, and human rights advocates in the world.</p>
	<p><b><i>Runaway Wives and Rogue Feminists</i></b> by Margo Goodhand </p> <p>In the supposedly enlightened '60s and '70s, violence against women was widespread. It wasn't talked about, and women had few options to escape their abusers. Yet in 1973 — with no statistics, no money and little public support — five disparate groups of women quietly opened Canada's first women's shelters.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Seed Keeper</i></b> by Diane Wilson</p> <p>Rosalie Iron Wing has grown up in the woods with her father, Ray, who tells her stories of the origins of the Dakhóta people. One morning, Ray doesn't return from checking his traps. Told she has no family, Rosalie is sent to live with a foster family —where the reserved teen meets rebellious Gaby, in a friendship that transcends the damaged legacies they've inherited.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo</i></b> by Taylor Jenkins Reid</p> <p>Aging and reclusive Hollywood movie icon Evelyn Hugo is finally ready to tell the truth about her glamorous and scandalous life. But when she chooses unknown magazine reporter Monique Grant for the job, no one is more astounded than Monique herself. Why her? Why now?</p>
	<p><b><i>A Slow Fire Burning</i></b> by Paula Hawkins</p> <p>Years ago someone lit a match... Laura has spent most of her life being judged. She's seen as hot-tempered, troubled, a loner. Miriam knows that just because Laura is witnessed leaving the scene of a horrific murder with blood on her clothes doesn't mean Laura is a killer. Carla is reeling from the brutal murder of her nephew. She trusts no one and nothing.</p>
	<p><b><i>Son of a Trickster</i></b> by Eden Robinson </p> <p>Meet Jared Martin: sixteen-year-old pot cookie dealer, smoker, drinker, and a son with the scariest mom ever. Compassionate, caring, and nurturing by nature, Jared's determined to help hold his family together. Even considering the talking ravens and the black outs, and his grandmother's perpetual suspicion that he is not human, but the son of a trickster.</p>
	<p><b><i>Split Tooth</i></b> by Tanya Tagaq </p> <p>A girl grows up in Nunavut in the 1970s knowing joy, friendship, and parents' love; knowing boredom, listlessness, and bullying. She knows the ravages of alcohol, and violence at the hands of those she should be able to trust. She sees the spirits that surround her, and the immense power that dwarfs all of us.</p>

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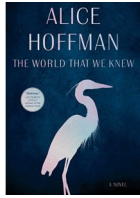
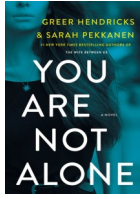
	<p><b><i>The Spoon Stealer</i></b> by Lesley Crewe 🍁</p> <p>When Emmeline unexpectedly inherits the farm she grew up on, she knows she needs to leave her new life and see what remains of her family one last time. She arrives like a tornado in their lives, an off-kilter Mary Poppins bossing everyone around and getting quite a lot wrong. But with her generosity and hard-earned wisdom, she gets an awful lot right too.</p>
	<p><b><i>Still Life with Bread Crumbs</i></b> by Anna Quindlen ***All Copies Large Print***</p> <p>Begins with an imagined gunshot and ends with a new tin roof. Between the two is a wry and knowing portrait of Rebecca Winter, a photographer whose work made her an unlikely heroine for many women. Her career is now descendent, her bank balance shaky, and she has fled the city for the middle of nowhere.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Stranger in the Woods</i></b> by Michael Finkel</p> <p>Many people dream of escaping modern life. Most will never act on it—but in 1986, twenty-year-old Christopher Knight did just that when he left his home in Massachusetts, drove to Maine, and disappeared into the woods. He would not have a conversation with another person for the next twenty-seven years.</p>
	<p><b><i>Surprise Me</i></b> by Sophie Kinsella</p> <p>After being together for ten years, Sylvie and Dan have all the trimmings of a happy life and marriage. But when a scandal from the past is revealed that question some important untold truths, they begin to wonder if they ever really knew each other after all. A humorous yet moving portrait of a marriage.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Suspect</i></b> by Fiona Barton</p> <p>When two 18-year-old girls go missing in Thailand, their families are thrust into the international spotlight--desperate, and frantic with worry. What were the girls up to before they disappeared? Journalist Kate Waters always works to be first to the story, first to discover the truth--and this time is no exception.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Tattooist of Auschwitz</i></b> by Heather Morris</p> <p>This beautiful, illuminating tale of hope and courage is based on interviews that were conducted with Holocaust survivor and Auschwitz-Birkenau tattooist Ludwig (Lale) Sokolov—an unforgettable love story in the midst of atrocity.</p>
	<p><b><i>This is How It Always Is</i></b> by Laurie Frankel</p> <p>This is how a family keeps a secret...and how that secret ends up keeping them. This is how a family lives happily ever after...until happily ever after becomes complicated. This is how children change...and then change the world.</p>
	<p><b><i>This is Not My Life</i></b> by Diane Schoemperlen 🍁</p> <p>For almost six turbulent years, award-winning writer Diane Schoemperlen was involved with a prison inmate serving a life sentence for second-degree murder. The relationship surprised no one more than her. How do you fall in love with a man with a violent past?</p>

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	<p><b><i>Transcription</i></b> by Kate Atkinson</p> <p>In 1940, 18-year-old Juliet is reluctantly recruited into the world of espionage. Sent to an obscure department of MI5, she finds the work to be by turns tedious and terrifying. 10 years later, Juliet is confronted by figures from her past. A different war is being fought now, but Juliet finds herself under threat.</p>
	<p><b><i>Truly, Madly, Guilty</i></b> by Liane Moriarty</p> <p>The new novel from the #1 <i>New York Times</i> bestselling author of <i>Big Little Lies</i>, and <i>What Alice Forgot</i>, about how sometimes we don't appreciate how extraordinary our ordinary lives are until it's too late. 6 responsible adults. 3 cute kids. One small dog. Just a normal weekend. What could possibly go wrong?</p>
	<p><b><i>The Turn of the Key</i></b> by Ruth Ware</p> <p>When Rowan Caine arrives at Heatherbrae House, she is smitten—by the luxurious “smart” home fitted out with all modern conveniences, by the beautiful Scottish Highlands, and by this picture-perfect family. What she doesn't know is that she's stepping into a nightmare—one that will end with a child dead and herself in prison awaiting trial for murder.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Wangs vs The World</i></b> by Jade Chang</p> <p>Charles Wang is mad at America. A brash, big-hearted immigrant businessman who built a cosmetics empire and made a fortune, he's just been ruined by the financial crisis. Charles pulls his kids out of schools he can no longer afford and, together with their stepmother, the family embarks on a cross-country road trip.</p>
	<p><b><i>A Week in Winter</i></b> by Maeve Binchy ***All Copies Large Print***</p> <p>The Sheedy sisters had lived in Stone House for as long as anyone could remember. Set high on the cliffs on the west coast of Ireland, overlooking the windswept Atlantic Ocean, it was falling into disrepair - until one woman, with a past she needed to forget, breathed new life into the place.</p>
	<p><b><i>What Happened That Night</i></b> by Sandra Block</p> <p>Dahlia is a successful Harvard student who wakes up from a party, the victim of a brutal assault. With no memory of the attack, her life veers into a tailspin. Years later, Dahlia is suffering from PTSD and still haunted by that night. Then a video surfaces online, and Dahlia sees her attack for the first time.</p>
	<p><b><i>White Houses</i></b> by Amy Bloom</p> <p>Lorena Hickok (known as “Hick”) meets Eleanor Roosevelt in 1932 while reporting on Franklin Roosevelt's first presidential campaign. As her connection with the future first lady deepens into intimacy, what begins as a powerful passion matures into a lasting love, and a life that Hick never expected to have.</p>
	<p><b><i>The Woman in the Window</i></b> by A.J. Finn</p> <p>Anna lives alone. A recluse in her home, unable to venture outside, She spends her day drinking wine, watching old movies, recalling happier times...and spying on her neighbors. But when Anna, gazing out her window one night, sees something she shouldn't, her world begins to crumble.</p>



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	<p><b><i>The Wonder</i></b> by Emma Donoghue 🍁</p> <p>An English nurse brought to a small Irish village to observe what appears to be a miracle—a girl said to have survived without food for months—soon finds herself fighting to save the child's life. A tale of two strangers who transform each other's lives, a psychological thriller, and a story of love pitted against evil.</p>
	<p><b><i>The World That We Knew</i></b> by Alice Hoffman</p> <p>In 1941, during humanity's darkest hour, three unforgettable young women must act with courage and love to survive. In a world where evil can be found at every turn we meet remarkable characters that take us on a stunning journey of loss and resistance.</p>
	<p><b><i>You Are Not Alone</i></b> by Greer Hendricks &amp; Sarah Pekkanen</p> <p>Shay Miller wants to find love, but it eludes her. She wants to be fulfilled, but her job is a dead end. She wants to belong, but her life is increasingly lonely. Until Shay meets the Moore sisters. When they invite Shay into their circle, everything seems to get better. Shay would die for them to like her. She may have to.</p>

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