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*Radio Girl* Kensington Publishing Corp.

One explosion. Three women. Countless secrets. From bestselling author Catherine McKenzie comes a suspenseful, unsettling novel about what lurks in the wake of tragedy. Everybody hides. Everybody lies. On October 10th, three women's lives are forever altered by a terrible accident. Cecily was supposed to be in the building that exploded in Chicago and killed her husband. A photo taken of her as she watched the horrifying scene quickly brings her unwanted media attention as the "poster child" of the haunting event. Cecily has secrets she's desperately trying to hide but cannot find a way to divert the media's attention from her and her family. Franny lost her birth mother—Cecily's best friend—in the destruction shortly after the two met. A year later, she and Cecily team up to help families obtain financial compensation for their loss, but their budding friendship is derailed when it starts to become clear Franny's story doesn't quite add up. How did she manage to track down her mother? And why did her mother keep Franny a secret even after they'd met? A thousand miles away in Montreal, Kate is trying to create a new life. But what led her to leave Chicago in the first place? Will she succeed in moving on from her mistakes or will Kate be drawn back into her old life? With surprising twists and turns, *The Good Liar* is a riveting read by a masterful storyteller that will make readers wonder how far they'd go to hide their own secrets.

*Breaking Even* Penguin

"At once comic, heart-breaking, and life-affirming." —Tish Cohen, author of *Town House* "Imagine if Bridget Jones fell into a million little pieces, flew over the cuckoo's nest, and befriended Lindsay Lohan along the way, and you are beginning to grasp the literary roller coaster ride that is Catherine McKenzie's *Spin*." —Leah McLaren, author of *The Continuity Girl* How far would you go to get what you wanted? That's the question author Catherine McKenzie addresses in *Spin*—a delectable debut novel that takes readers into the connected worlds of pop culture, tabloid journalism, and celebrity rehab. The story of a newbie undercover gossip reporter who follows a troubled starlet into a rehab clinic intending to dig up all the dirt she possibly can, *Spin* is smart, hip, utterly engaging contemporary fiction in the vein of Jennifer Weiner and Emily Giffin.

*Spin* Lake Union Publishing

"A thoroughly modern love story with an old-fashioned heart." —Vogue "Sure to satisfy fans of Taylor Jenkins Reid and Sally Rooney." —E! Online "Funny and modern, *The Arc* is like a rom-com's cooler big sister." —Real Simple Can you curate your soulmate? Thirty-five-year-old Ursula Byrne, VP of Strategic Audacity at a branding agency in Manhattan, is successful, witty, whip-smart, and single. She's tried all the dating apps, and let's just say: she's underwhelmed by her options. You'd think that by now someone would have come up with something more bespoke; a way for users to be more tailored about who and what they want in a life partner—how hard could that be? Enter *The Arc*: a highly secretive, super-sophisticated matchmaking service that uses a complex series of emotional, psychological and physiological assessments to architect partnerships that will go the distance. The price tag is high, the promise ambitious—a level of lifelong compatibility that would otherwise be unattainable. In other words, *The Arc* will find your ideal mate. Ursula is paired with forty-two-year-old lawyer Rafael Banks. From moment one, this feels like the electric, lasting love they've each been seeking their whole adult lives. But as their relationship unfolds in unanticipated ways, the two begin to realize that true love is never a sure thing. And the arc of a relationship is never predictable...even when it's fully optimized.

*Fractured* HarperCollins

TONY has always looked out for his brother, Nick. So when Nick claims to be the victim of a violent assault, Tony's anger flares. JULIA is scared by her husband Tony's obsession with justice. Does she really know what he's capable of? NICK didn't ask for any of this. The worst part? He can't remember what really happened the night he was attacked. Three ordinary people; one terrible crime. And when a detective shines his light on this family in crisis, the cracks begin to show...

*The Age of Miracles* Simon and Schuster

This second edition of the authoritative *Readings in Arkansas Politics and Government* brings together in one volume some of the best available scholarly research on a wide range of issues of interest to students of Arkansas politics and government. The twenty-one chapters are arranged in three sections covering both historical and contemporary issues—ranging from the state's socioeconomic and political context to the workings of its policymaking institutions and key policy concerns in the modern political landscape. Topics covered include racial tension and integration, social values, political corruption, public education, obstacles facing the state's effort to reform welfare, and others. Ideal for use in introductory and advanced undergraduate courses, the book will also appeal to lawmakers, public administrators, journalists, and others interested in how politics and government work in Arkansas.

*The First Husband* St. Martin's Press

In *Leaving Haven*, Kathleen McCleary, author of *A Simple Thing*, explores the intricacies of love, friendship, and parenthood. Georgia longs for a baby, but she's had miscarriage after miscarriage since her daughter was born more than a decade ago. Through a miraculous egg donation, Georgia is thrilled to find herself

pregnant—until she makes a startling discovery that changes her mind about how much she really wants the baby... Georgia's best friend, Alice, has a happy teenage daughter, a faithful husband, and a perfectly organized life. But her world spins off its axis when she falls for a man who is everything she knows she doesn't want... Leaving Haven is a provocative and touching novel that will appeal to readers of contemporary fiction and fans of Jodi Picoult, Luanne Rice, and Kristin Hannah.

#### Kill All Your Darlings Dundurn

A riveting new novel of suspense about a disgraced young journalist caught up in a grifter's game, and the trail of identically named victims she uncovers, from the instant bestselling author of I'll Never Tell and The Good Liar. Assumed identities. A con game. Unwitting victims. After being fired from her investigative journalism job for plagiarism, Jessica Williams is looking for a break from the constant press coverage. She decides to escape for a week to a resort in Mexico boasting no connections to the outside world. While waiting at the airport for her flight, she encounters a woman with the exact same name, who she dubs Jessica Two. Drawn together by the coincidence, they play a game of twenty questions to see what other similarities they share, and exchange contact information. A week later, Jessica returns home and discover that large cash withdrawals have been made from her bank account. Security footage from the bank confirms her suspicions—Jessica Two has stolen her money. She goes to the police, only to be told that the crime is a low priority. Frustrated, she meets up with a trusted old friend, Liam, who is an investigator. When the two Google "Jessica Williams," they get thousands of hits—Jessica was the most popular girl's name in 1990 and Williams is almost as ubiquitous as Smith. Convinced that this isn't the first time this scam has been run, Jessica is determined to catch the imposter, and writes a Facebook post hoping to chase down some of Jessica Two's other victims. When she gets a number of responses, she sets a plan in motion to catch the thief, encountering a string of identically named victims along the way. Then, the threatening messages start arriving. Filled with incredible twists and turns, You Can't Catch Me is a tantalizing, character-driven exploration of how far people will go to get revenge.

#### Edge Play Serial Box

"Catherine McKenzie's Arranged is a rare book: smart, funny, honest, and absorbing." —Therese Walsh, author of The Last Will of Moira Leahy "A satisfying and entertaining romantic tale that puts a contemporary twist on old-fashioned ideas about marriage. I inhaled it in an afternoon, rooting for its heroine to find the love she longs for." —Leah Stewart, author of Husband and Wife In Arranged, author Catherine McKenzie (Spin) looks at love and marriage from a whole new perspective—telling the story of a successful, popular, but somewhat romantically desperate young woman who agrees to let a highly secretive arranged marriage service help her marry a perfect stranger. An original tale of risky contemporary romance and unconventional matchmaking, Arranged is delightful fiction from a fresh and fun new voice.

#### Forgotten Harper Collins

On her thirtieth birthday, Gwendolyn Reese receives an unexpected present from her widowed Aunt Bea: a grand tour of Europe in the company of Bea's Sudoku and Mahjongg Club. The prospect isn't entirely appealing. But when the gift she is expecting—an engagement ring from her boyfriend—doesn't materialize, Gwen decides to go. At first, Gwen approaches the trip as if it's the math homework she assigns her students, diligently checking monuments off her must-see list. But amid the bougainvillea and stunning vistas of southern Italy, something changes. Gwen begins to live in the moment—skipping down stone staircases in Capri, running her fingers over a glacier in view of the Matterhorn, racing through the Louvre, and taste-testing pastries at a Marseilles cafe. Reveling in every new experience—especially her attraction to a charismatic British physics professor—Gwen discovers that the ancient wonders around her are nothing compared to the renaissance unfolding within. . . "A thinking woman's love story, it swept me away to breathtaking places with a cast of endearing characters I won't soon forget. Bravissima!"

— Susan McBride, author of Little Black Dress Praise for Marilyn Brant's According to Jane "A warm, witty and charmingly original story." --Susan Wiggs, New York Times bestselling author "Brant infuses her sweetly romantic and delightfully clever tale with just the right dash of Austen-esque wit." — Chicago Tribune "An engaging read for all who have been through the long, dark, dating wars, and still believe there's sunshine, and a Mr. Darcy, at the end of the tunnel." --Cathy Lamb, author of Such a Pretty Face

Love by the Book University of Arkansas Press

"For fans of The Good Wife, Catherine McKenzie's Forgotten is a pure, page-turning pleasure." —Gwendolen Gross, author of The Orphan Sister "By turns hilarious and heart-tugging...A thoroughly enjoyable read!" —Juliette Fay, author of Deep Down True If your old life vanished completely, should you try to get it back or create a whole new one? That's the intriguing question at the heart of Catherine McKenzie's Forgotten. The smart, funny, and provocative story of a woman who returns home after being stranded for months in Africa by an earthquake only to find that everyone in her life believed she was dead and moved on, Forgotten is captivating and thought-provoking contemporary women's fiction from the author of Arranged and Spin—a fresh and witty tale that will not be soon forgotten.

#### A Summer In Europe Delta

After Jeff Manning suddenly dies, two women who loved him—his wife, Claire, and his co-worker, Tish, are both sent reeling and must figure out how to cope in this new novel from the author of Forgotten.

#### Arranged Simon & Schuster

"A sharp, wise, and hilarious novel. . . . We loved it!" — Lucy Sykes & Jo Piazza, authors of The Knockoff An addictively readable romantic comedy, drama, and mystery rolled into one, about two very different strangers whose lives become intertwined when they receive an unusual proposition. The Decent Proposal is a funny, tender, and enchanting story about love, attraction, and friendship: Jane Austen in Los Angeles. A struggling Hollywood producer, Richard Baumbach is twenty-nine, hung-over, and broke. Ridiculously handsome with an innate charm and an air of invincibility, he still believes good things will come his way. For now he contents himself with days at the Coffee Bean and nights with his best friend Mike (that's a woman, by the way). At thirty-three, Elizabeth Santiago is on track to make partner at her law firm. Known as "La Máquina" The Machine—to her colleagues, she's grown used to avoiding anything that might derail her quiet, orderly life. And yet recently she befriended a homeless man in her Venice neighborhood, surprised to find how much she enjoys their early-morning chats. Richard and Elizabeth's paths collide when they receive a proposal from a mysterious, anonymous benefactor. They'll split a million dollars if they agree to spend at least two hours together—just talking—every week for a year. Astonished and more than a little suspicious, they each nevertheless say yes. Richard needs the money and likes the adventure of it. Elizabeth embraces the challenge of shaking up her life a little more. Both agree the idea is ridiculous, but why not? What ensues is a delightful journey full of twists, revelations, hamburgers, classic literature, poppy music, and above all love, in its multitude of forms. The Decent Proposal is a heartfelt and often hilarious look at the ties that bind not just a guy and a girl but an entire, diverse cast of characters situated within a modern-day Los Angeles brought to full and irrepressible life.

#### The Aviator's Wife Harper Collins

Rules for Raising Little Girls "As the father of a daughter, I wish I'd read this very funny book sooner, if only to know that it's OK for a grown man to wear a tutu." - Dave Barry "Required reading for any parent who doesn't know pants from leggings." - Dan Zevin, author of Dan Gets a Minivan: Life at the Intersection of Dude and Dad It's easy to imagine how you'd raise a boy--all the golf outings, lawnmower lessons, and Little League championships you'd attend--but playing dad to a little princess may take some education. In Oh Boy, You're Having a Girl, Brian, a father of three girls, shares his tactics for surviving this new and glittery world. From baby dolls and bedtime rituals to potty training

and dance recitals, he leads you through all the trials and tribulations you'll face as you're raising your daughter. He'll also show you how to navigate your way through tough situations, like making sure that she doesn't start dating until she's fifty. Complete with commandments for restroom trips and properly participating in a tea party, *Oh Boy, You're Having a Girl* will brace you for all those hours playing house--and psych you up for the awesomeness of raising a daughter who has you lovingly wrapped around her little finger. "Somehow, Brian Klems has taken one of the most traumatic situations known to a father--having a daughter--and made it into something so completely hilarious you'll laugh until you've got oxygen deprivation!" - W. Bruce Cameron, author of *8 Simple Rules for Dating My Teenage Daughter*

#### The Good Liar Penguin

As four young clerks dive headfirst into the world of the Supreme Court, they're forced to face the high-pressure decisions and shocking secrets that could make or break their careers. Over their year as clerks, four recent law school graduates will influence the way our biggest issues of today -- from the death penalty to voting rights -- are settled, all while navigating love, life, and what justice means to them. But this isn't just a tale of ideas and debate. It's the vibrant, fun, and sexy story of these young individuals and how the work they do will affect their own choices, relationships, and the future of our country--along with their own lives. This is ripped-from-the-headlines storytelling, equal parts coming-of-age and political intrigue; it's a page-turner that doesn't shy away from hot-button issues. Join Charlotte, Gabriel, Odessa, and Jack as they learn that justice doesn't always mean playing fair. For fans of *Shondaland*, *First Street* is sexy, fun, full of personal drama and political intrigue. It was written by a critically acclaimed, internationally best-selling author team of Catherine McKenzie (*The Good Liar*), New York Times Bestseller Jasmine Guillory (*The Wedding Date*, *The Wedding Party*, *The Proposal*), Elyssa Friedland (*The Intermission*, *Love and Miss Communication*), Shawn Klomparens (*Jessica Z.*), Randy Susan Meyers (*The Murderer's Daughters*, *Accidents of Marriage*), Kermit Roosevelt III (*Conflict of Laws*, *The Myth of Judicial Activism: Making Sense of Supreme Court Decisions*). Originally published on SerialBox.com.

#### I'll Never Tell The Giving Tree

This bundle includes three best-selling titles from Catherine McKenzie. In *Spin*, Katie Sandford is willing to do almost anything to land her dream job at The Line, but gets more than she bargained for when she follows It Girl Amber Sheppard into rehab to get the inside scoop. As real friendships develop, and she becomes involved with a cute celebrity handler named Henry, Katie comes to realize she may be in rehab for a reason. In *Arranged*, unlucky-in-love Anne Blythe signs up for a dating service in hopes of finding true love, but is shocked to discover that the company specializes in arranged marriages. Everything still seems great until she learns the shocking truth about her new man, and the agency that set them up. In *Forgotten*, when an African vacation goes awry, Emma Tupper returns home to discover that things have moved on without her. As she struggles to recreate her old life, everyone around her thinks Emma should take the opportunity to change, but is she willing to sacrifice the remnants of everything she once had?

#### Damage Penguin

Named one of 2022's best and most-anticipated thrillers by Goodreads, CrimeReads, Motherly, Westport Magazine, and more! A "propulsive thriller about secret organizations, hidden agendas, and the lengths one woman will go to reclaim her life" (Laura Dave, author of *Reese's Book Club Pick The Last Thing He Told Me*) from USA TODAY bestselling author Catherine McKenzie. At thirty-

nine, Nicole Mueller's life is on the rocks. Her once brilliant law career is falling apart. She and her husband, Dan, are soon to be forced out of the apartment they love. After a warning from her firm's senior partners, she receives an invitation from an exclusive women's networking group, Panthera Leo. Membership is anonymous, but every member is a successful professional. It sounds like the perfect solution to help Nicole revive her career. So, despite Dan's concerns that the group might be a cult, Nicole signs up for their retreat in Colorado. Once there, she meets the other women who will make up her Pride. A CEO, an actress, a finance whiz, a congresswoman: Nicole can't believe her luck. The founders of Panthera Leo are equally as impressive. They explain the group's core philosophy: they're a girl's club in a boy's club world. Nicole is all in. And when she gets home, she soon sees dividends. Her new network quickly provides her with clients that help her relaunch her career, and a great new apartment too. The favors she has to provide in return seem benign. But then she's called to the congresswoman's apartment late at night where she's pressed into helping her cover up a crime. And suddenly, Dan's concerns that something more sinister is at play seem all too relevant. Can Nicole extricate herself from the group before it's too late? Or will joining Panthera Leo be the biggest mistake of her life?

#### Recklessly Royal Penguin

Dating, fashion, and drama: Clementine never has a dull day at the Parsons School of Design. When Clementine Liu arrives in New York City to study at the Parsons School of Design, she knows that she's found her place. It isn't long before she meets her fashionista soulmate, the loud and charismatic Jake, and Jonathan, a dreamy fashion photographer who turns her world upside down. Between schoolwork and glitzy fashion shows, Clementine launches a blog, *Bonjour Girl*, and her wit, originality, and flair quickly catapult the site to cult status. Unfortunately, this comes with a price: Clementine is faced with online abuse and public humiliation. In the midst of all the drama, she finds out that a classmate is not what she seems, and Clementine has to find a way to save both her reputation and Jake's fashion collection.

#### The Decent Proposal Harper Collins

Become the Authority on Wedding Receptions! *The Ultimate Wedding Reception Book* will save you time, money and grief as you plan your event. Written by a leading woman's writer along with a Wedding DJ with over 2,000+ events of experience. You get both, experience and insight on how to make your event the Ultimate Wedding Reception!

#### Arranged Simon and Schuster

WINNER OF THE ITW THRILLER AWARD FOR BEST FIRST NOVEL "My Sweet Girl pushes the boundaries of what a thriller can do." —The Washington Post "Fiendish [and] full of twists.... Sri Lankan author Amanda Jayatissa keeps us guessing and worrying until the very end." —The New York Times "A thriller centered on the meaning of identity and all the layers it can have." —NPR Paloma thought her perfect life would begin once she was adopted and made it to America, but she's about to find out that no matter how far you run, your past always catches up to you... Ever since she was adopted from a Sri Lankan orphanage, Paloma has had the best of everything—schools, money, and parents so perfect that she fears she'll never live up to them. Now at thirty years old and recently cut off from her parents' funds, she decides to sublet the second bedroom of her overpriced San Francisco apartment to Arun, who recently moved from India. Paloma has to admit, it feels good helping someone find their way in America—that is until Arun discovers Paloma's darkest secret, one that could jeopardize her own fragile place in this country. Before Paloma can pay Arun off, she finds him face down in a pool

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of blood. She flees the apartment but by the time the police arrive, there's no body—and no evidence that Arun ever even existed in the first place. Paloma is terrified this is all somehow tangled up in the desperate actions she took to escape Sri Lanka so many years ago. Did Paloma's secret die with Arun or is she now in greater danger than ever before?

The Ultimate Wedding Reception Book Harper Collins

NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY People · O: The Oprah Magazine · Financial Times · Kansas City Star · BookPage · Kirkus Reviews · Publishers Weekly · Booklist NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER “A stunner.” —Justin Cronin “It's never the disasters you see coming that finally come to pass—it's the ones you don't expect at all,” says Julia, in this spellbinding novel of catastrophe and survival by a superb new writer. Luminous, suspenseful, unforgettable, *The Age of Miracles* tells the haunting and beautiful story of Julia and her family as they struggle to live in a time of extraordinary change. On an ordinary Saturday in a California suburb, Julia awakes to discover that something has happened to the rotation of the earth. The days and nights are growing longer and longer; gravity is affected; the birds, the tides, human behavior, and cosmic rhythms are thrown into disarray. In a world that seems filled with danger and loss, Julia also must face surprising developments in herself, and in her personal world—divisions widening between her parents, strange behavior by her friends, the pain and vulnerability of first love, a growing sense of isolation, and a surprising, rebellious new strength. With crystalline prose and the indelible magic of a born storyteller, Karen Thompson Walker gives us a breathtaking portrait of people finding ways to go on in an ever-evolving world.

“Gripping drama . . . flawlessly written; it could be the most assured debut by an American writer since Jennifer Egan's *Emerald City*.” —The Denver Post “Pure magnificence.” —Nathan Englander “Provides solace with its wisdom, compassion, and elegance.” —Curtis Sittenfeld “Riveting, heartbreaking, profoundly moving.” —Kirkus Reviews (starred review) Look for special features inside. Join the Circle for author chats and more.