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My Favorite Shoes Createspace Independent Publishing Platform
When one of the godmarked dies, Kallista, Reinine of all Adara, is devastated and her mates must cope without her. A trial by combat is needed to regain custody of a child and a new ninth godmarked must be located in order to make the magic whole again and powerful enough to defeat a truly formidable demon.

Quilting Quickly Penguin

A gorgeous historical novel following the fictional life of the young woman who would become Leonardo Da Vinci's greatest work. Evocative and rich with historical detail, Smile is the perfect novel for anyone fascinated by the story of Mona Lisa. Renaissance Italy is a world of riches open to any man who dares to conquer it. In the life of young Lisa the doors to this world remain closed. Promised in her youth to a widower as a loving wife and mother, she is resigned to an unremarkable existence clinging only to the memory of being "Lovely Lisa" to the now great Leonardo Da Vinci. But when their paths cross again her portrait will become his masterpiece and her smile will capture the imagination of the world. Particularly suitable for struggling, reluctant or dyslexic readers aged 13+

Grace at Christmas The Floating Press
Drawn to France to explore the myth of Saint Christopher and the "cynocephalus" or the dog-headed, Annja Creed finds herself repeatedly and inexplicably targeted by vicious mercenaries. Her best defense is to trace this brutal violence back to its source, which she soon discovers to be a millionaire and self-professed descendant of King Charlemagne. Original.

Widdershins A&C Black

Money 's tight and Henry is lucky to have the job at Mr. Hairston 's grocery store. His parents are both lost in despair following the

death of Henry 's older brother, and Henry is glad for the opportunity to feel like he 's helping. Saving to buy a marker for Eddie 's grave, Henry tries to ignore Mr. Hairston 's commentary about the customers. But Henry is shocked when he is told he 's being laid off. That is, unless he agrees to do one thing, one terrible thing.

Henry's Baby Jabberwocky Literary Agency, Inc.

/DORLING Henry Moon sees his little brother as a serious obstacle to being accepted by the In Crowd at his new school. This thoughtful and humorous story explores the terrain encountered by children whose lives are split between peer group and family; and by boys, like Henry, who aren't sure about babies . . . Full-color illustr

City of Flowers Penguin Group
The new installment in the critically acclaimed Stravaganza series transports readers to a world much like our own-but where magic and piracy come to life in the Italian town of Classe. The new Stravagante is Isabel, a visitor from our world who befriends Flavia, a successful female merchant of spices, silks, and tapestries. But Flavia soon finds herself an outcast and a pirate, while Isabel learns that Classe is under threat of attack by the fierce Gate people. What can she do to help save the city? Fans of fantasy and historical fiction alike who have flocked to the Stravaganza series will welcome this action-packed adventure, which can be read alone or as a companion to the previous novels. Look out for the other books in this series: *City of Masks*, *City of Stars*, *City of Flowers*, *City of Secrets*, and *City of Swords*-out next year!

Stravaganza: City of Ships

Bloomsbury Publishing
Silvano and Chiara are two teenagers with a difference.

Silvano has been accused of a murder he did not commit. Chiara has been ousted from her family as a young woman with no marriage prospects. For these two very different reasons they are forced to seek refuge in a neighbouring convent and friary. And when they meet they are instantly aware that they are both outsiders, ill at ease with monastic life. Then a grisly murder - followed by another, and then another - strikes fear into the close-knit community. Chiara and Silvano cling together within the terrifying spiral of murder as they, and the friends they have made, attempt to solve the deadly mystery. This remarkably rich mystery thriller, with all the pace and action of a 'whodunnit', is set in the incredibly atmospheric environs of a friary in 14th-century Italy. Amidst all the action of the murder mystery, the author depicts in fascinating and intricate detail the lives and tasks of the friars and nuns, whether it be crushing pigments to create paints for the fresco artists in nearby Assisi, or the daily and nightly ritual of the religious services. All the historical detail is carefully researched. A huge cast of characters with romantic teen heroes, combined with the thriller-murder element, ensure a pacy, richly enjoyable read.

Lines in the Sand Dial

One diamond - a world of spies, death and deception. In Venice, the diamond promises wealth and prestige to greedy Bernardo Pagliarin. At the court of the Great Moghul in Agra, it holds the key to the throne itself. For Filippo and his family, the stone is worth far more. It could bring their father back from the dead. From the bustling markets of seventeenth-century Venice to the majestic palaces of Hindustan,

acclaimed author Jamila Gavin takes the reader on an unforgettable quest across desert, sea and mountains.

The Dice Man A&C Black
Book 2 in the Whyborne & Griffin series
Previous book: *Widdershins*
Introverted scholar Percival Endicott Whyborne wants nothing more than to live quietly with his lover, ex-Pinkerton detective Griffin Flaherty. Unfortunately, Whyborne's railroad tycoon father has other ideas, namely hiring Griffin to investigate mysterious events at a coal mine. Whyborne, Griffin, and their friend Christine travel to Threshold Mountain, a place of dark legend even before the mine burrowed into its heart. A contingent of Pinkertons—including Griffin's ex-lover Elliot—already guard the mine. But Griffin knows better than anyone just how unprepared the detectives are to face the otherworldly forces threatening them. Soon, Whyborne and Griffin are on the trail of mysterious disappearances, deadly accidents, and whispered secrets. Is Elliot an ally, or does he only want to rekindle his relationship with Griffin? And if so, how can Whyborne possibly hope to compete with the stunningly handsome Pinkerton—especially when Griffin is hiding secrets about his past? For in a town where friends become enemies and horror lurks behind a human mask, Whyborne can't afford to trust anything—including his own heart. Novel: 67,669 words.

The Whyborne & Griffin series:
Widdershins (Book 1)
Threshold (Book 2)
Other books by Jordan L. Hawk:
Hainted Heart of the Dragon
The SPECTR series:
Hunter of Demons (Book 1)
Master of Ghouls (Book 2)
The Blood Stone Udon Entertainment

Equally well-known for his sophisticated philosophy tracts and his top-notch detective fiction, G.K. Chesterton was himself something of a literary jack-of-all-trades. This beloved collection of detective stories and mysteries is based on a club that is only

open to those who rely on unusual or extraordinary lines of work as their main source of income. A fast-paced, purely enjoyable collection that is sure to tickle the fancy of classic detective fiction fans. *Year's Best Weird Fiction* Best of Fons & Porter
Gwyneth Shepherd's sophisticated, beautiful cousin Charlotte has been prepared her entire life for traveling through time. But unexpectedly, it is Gwyneth who in the middle of class takes a sudden spin to a different era! Gwyneth must now unearth the mystery of why her mother would lie about her birth date to ward off suspicion about her ability, brush up on her history, and work with Gideon—the time traveler from a similarly gifted family that passes the gene through its male line, and whose presence becomes, in time, less insufferable and more essential. Together, Gwyneth and Gideon journey through time to discover who, in the 18th century and in contemporary London, they can trust. Kerstin Gier's *Ruby Red* is young adult novel full of fantasy and romance.

The Great Big Brain Book Downtown Bookworks
Love, lust, murder, mayhem and high society converge in one thrilling debut *Part Gossip Girl*, part Edgar Allan Poe, and wholly beautiful, elegant and suspenseful, this novel set in Venice during the Renaissance is a true romantic thriller. When Cassandra Caravallo visits her friend Liviana's crypt and finds a murdered courtesan inside, her world is turned upside down. Before she knows it, Cass is involved with Falco, a grave-robbing artist, and on her way to discovering corruption in the elite Venetian society. But will she find the man who's been savagely murdering beautiful young girls before he finds her? Will she stay true to her fiancé, who's off studying law in France? Or will she succumb to Falco's charms? Beauty, love, romance and murder combine in a novel that's as seductive and stunning as Venice itself.

The Smile at the Foot of the Ladder Delacorte Press
It's night. Always night. Dreams guard against the evil forged by nightmares. Infinite shooting stars illuminate a moonless sky. A city stands alone, surrounded by a darkened field. On its fringes, a

man watches one star separate from the masses and fall. What survives the crash will unveil a secret centuries long hidden. Molly hasn't slept well since the night of her twenty-fourth birthday. Being struck by lightning might have something to do with it, but then again, her chicken did look a little undercooked at dinner. Whatever the culprit, her life quickly catapults from mundane to insane as, night after night, Molly is transported through her once dreamless sleep to a mysterious land illuminated by shooting stars. There she meets the captivating but frustrating Dev, and together they discover Molly possesses a power coveted by his people—the ability to conjure almost anything she desires into existence. Seduced by the possibilities of this gift, Molly shifts her attention from waking life toward the man, the magic, and the world found in her dreams. But Molly must ask herself—does something truly exist if you only see it when you close your eyes? Faced with the threat of losing everything—her job, best friend, boyfriend, and most importantly, that little thing called her sanity—Molly will learn just how far she'll go to uncover what is real and what is merely a figment of her imagination.

The Falconer's Knot Frances Lincoln
"Repressed scholar Percival Endicott Whyborne has two skills: reading dead languages and hiding in his office at the Ladysmith Museum. After the tragic death of the friend he secretly loved, he's ruthlessly suppressed any desire for another man. So when handsome ex-Pinkerton Griffin Flaherty approaches him to translate a mysterious book, Whyborne wants to finish the job and get rid of the detective as quickly as possible. Griffin left the Pinkertons following the death of his partner, hoping to start a new life. But the powerful cult which murdered Glenn has taken root in Widdershins, and only the spells in the book can stop them. Spells the intellectual Whyborne doesn't believe are real. As the investigation draws the two men closer, Griffin's rakish charm threatens to shatter Whyborne's iron control. When the cult resurrects an evil sorcerer who commands terrifying monsters, can Whyborne overcome his fear and learn to trust? Will Griffin let go of his past and risk falling in love? Or will Griffin's secrets

cost Whyborne both his heart and his life?"--Page 4 of cover.

Stravaganza: City of Swords

Pearson Higher Ed

The latest installment in the critically acclaimed Stravaganza series begins with Matt, the new Stravagante. Despite having a beautiful and very smart girlfriend, Matt is insecure because he is dyslexic. He discovers that he is capable of traveling between two worlds when a leather-bound book transports him from his home in England to Talia, the parallel-world version of Italy, where he meets a fellow-Stravagante named Luciano-who is hiding from the powerful di Chimici family. Luciano has just killed the head of that family in a duel, and is in grave danger. Banding together, Matt and Luciano must resist the di Chimici family, who are on the verge of making a terrifying breakthrough into our world.

City of Swords Henry Holt and Company (BYR)

Georgia is an ordinary girl, living in London with her mother, stepfather, and bully of a stepbrother, and coping with the difficulties of growing up. But her life takes a sudden change when she buys a tiny figurine of a winged horse, and suddenly finds herself swept up into the world of the Stravagante. The tiny horse becomes her magical time-travel talisman and transports her to Remora, the Talian parallel to the city of Siena, Italy. There she meets Lucien, the Stravagante we first met in City of Masks, and many other fascinating people who are in the midst of preparing for the Stellata, the annual horse race run each year in the city. Intrigue, romance, and the rare appearance of a true winged horse ensure an exciting adventure to rival the first in this captivating series.

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The Great Big Brain Book

introduces children to what the human brain is all about. Each spread features humorous, bright and engaging artwork, accompanied by accessible yet informative text on the human brain. Get ready to

uncover everything you ever wanted to know about the human brain. Your brain is absolutely amazing! They are responsible for absolutely every single thing we do. Every time we breathe, or walk or talk or eat, it's all because of our brilliant brains! When we feel happy or sad, when we drop something, when we run or draw - none of this would be possible without our fantastic brains. Find out how our brains work, how they control the rest of the body and how they change over time. From how they create our memories, to how they help us learn new things and what happens to them when we are asleep, great ready to uncover lots of fascinating facts about the brain. And don't forget to look out for the friendly cat on every page, helping us learn all about our wonderful brains!

The Eternal Rose Pavilion

Children's

What is a family? Once, it was said to be a father, mother, boy, girl, cat and dog living in a house with a garden. But as times have changed, families have changed too, and now there are almost as many kinds of families as colours of the rainbow - from a mum and dad or single parent to two mums or two dads, from a mixed-race family to children with different mums and dads, to families with a disabled member. Mary Hoffman takes a look through children's eyes at the wide varieties of family life: from homes, food, ways of celebrating, schools and holidays to getting around, jobs and housework, from extended families, languages and hobbies to pets and family trees - and she concludes that, for most people, their own family is the best one of all! With Ros Asquith's delightful pictures, this book takes a fresh, optimistic look at families of today.

Princess Grace Bloomsbury

Publishing USA

Offers a collection of poems, stories, and drawings on war and peace, assembled in response to the war in Iraq but inspired by a variety of conflicts throughout history.

The Music of Dolphins Frances

Lincoln Children's Books

This brief, affordable, straightforward book-packed with rich resources-is a true compendium of information about children's literature and how to use children's

literature in the classroom.

It is designed to awaken, reawaken, and motivate students to share literature with children. In clear, concise, direct narrative using recommended book lists, examples, figures, and tables in combination with prose, this book conveys the body of knowledge about children's literature and about teaching literature to children. The Seventh Edition of this best-selling book adds a new co-author, Kathy G. Short, to the well-known author team of Carol Lynch-Brown and Carl M. Tomlinson.