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The Rooftop Party Penguin

From the author of Jerusalem Maiden comes a mesmerizing, thought-provoking novel that tells the riveting story of an American woman—the daughter of Holocaust survivors—who travels to Russia shortly after the fall of communism, and finds herself embroiled in a perilous mafia conspiracy that could irrevocably destroy her life. Brooke Fielding, a thirty-eight year old New York investment manager and daughter of Jewish Holocaust survivors, finds her life suddenly upended in late September 1993 when her job is unexpectedly put in jeopardy. Brooke accepts an invitation to join a friend on a mission to Moscow to teach entrepreneurial skills to Russian business women, which will also give her a chance to gain expertise in the new, vast emerging Russian market. Though excited by the opportunity to save her job and be one of the first Americans to visit Russia after the fall of communism, she also wonders what awaits her in the country that persecuted her mother just a generation ago. Inspired by the women she meets, Brooke becomes committed to helping them investigate the crime that threatens their businesses. But as the uprising of the Russian parliament against President Boris Yeltsin turns Moscow into a volatile war zone, Brooke will find that her involvement comes at a high cost. For in a city where “capitalism” is still a dirty word, where neighbors spy on neighbors and the new economy is in the hands of a few dangerous men, nothing Brooke does goes unnoticed—and a mistake in her past may now compromise her future. A moving, poignant, and rich novel, Hotel Moscow is an eye-opening portrait of post-communist Russia and a profound exploration of faith, family, and heritage.

Cyril's Woodland Quest Simon and Schuster

Reunited with his long-lost stepdaughter by an ex-wife's hysterical plea for help, gay lawyer Henry Archer allows the young woman to move into his basement, where she reluctantly poses as the girlfriend of a down-on-his-luck former sitcom star.

Reconstructing Amelia Harper Collins

At the close of the last millennium, Helen Fielding debuted the irrepressible (and blockbuster-bestselling) Bridget Jones. Now, Fielding gives us a sensational new heroine for a new era...Move over 007, a stunning, sexy-and decidedly female-new player has entered the world of international espionage. Her name is Olivia Joules (that 's "J.O.U.L.E.S. the unit of kinetic energy") and she's ready to take America by storm with charm, style, and her infamous Overactive Imagination. How could a girl not be drawn to the alluring, powerful Pierre Ferramo—he of the hooded eyes, impeccable taste, unimaginable wealth, exotic international homes, and dubious French accent? Could Ferramo really be a major terrorist bent on the Western world 's destruction, hiding behind a smokescreen of fine wines, yachts, and actresses slash models? Or is it all just a product of Olivia Joules 's overactive imagination? Join Olivia in her heart-stopping, hilarious, nerve-frazzling quest from hip hotel to eco-lodge to underwater cave, by light aircraft, speedboat, helicopter, and horse, in this witty, contemporary, and utterly unputdownable novel deluxe.

The Smart One Penguin

High Plains Book Award Winner for Fiction • Western Writers of America Spur Award Winner for Best Contemporary Western Novel • WILLA Literary Award Winner in Contemporary Fiction • Montana Book Award Honor Book With the quiet precision of Jane Smiley's A Thousand Acres and the technical clarity of Mary Roach's Stiff, this is a novel about a young woman who comes most alive while working in her father's mortuary in a small, forgotten Western town. "The dead come to me vulnerable, sharing their stories and secrets . . ." Mary Crampton has spent all of her thirty years in Petroleum, a small Western town once supported by a powerful grain company. Living at home, she works as the embalmer in her father's mortuary: an unlikely job that has long marked her as an outsider. Yet, to Mary there is a satisfying art to positioning and styling each body to capture the essence of a subject's life. Though some townsfolk pretend that the community is thriving, the truth is that Petroleum is crumbling away—a process that began twenty years ago when an accident in the grain elevator killed a beloved high school athlete. The mill closed for good, the train no longer stopped in town, and Robert Golden, the victim's younger brother, was widely blamed for the tragedy and shipped off to live elsewhere. Now, out of the blue, Robert has returned to care for his terminally ill mother. After Mary—reserved, introspective, and deeply lonely—strikes up an unlikely friendship with him, shocking the locals, she finally begins to consider what might happen if she dared to leave Petroleum. Set in the American West, The Flicker of Old Dreams explores themes of resilience, redemption, and loyalty in prose as lyrical as it is powerful.

Olivia Joules and the Overactive Imagination Berkley

If you could return to the road not taken...would you? Quinn Braverman has a perfect life, with a loving husband, an adorable son, and another baby on the way. Quinn also has an ominous secret: she knows that another version of her life exists...one in which she made totally different life choices. But she's never been tempted to switch lives—until a shocking turn of events pushes her to cross over, and she discovers the one person she thought she'd lost forever: Her mother. But Quinn can't have both lives. Soon, she must decide which she really wants—the one she has...or the other life...

HarperCollins

“ Laugh-out-loud funny and deadly serious... Do yourself a favor: READ THIS BOOK! ” —David Henry Sterry, bestselling author of Master of Ceremonies Only one thing stands in the way of Laurel Applebaum 's happiness...Doug Applebaum. In this darkly comic novel about a wife whose rope is so frayed it 's about to snap, Laurel

gets a call that her husband has been in an accident. She imagines the worst. But as she is on the way to the ER, another emotion seizes her. Relief. Doug 's death could solve all her problems. No more catering to his incessant demands. Then there 's the insurance money. Laurel 's dreams seem so close. There 's just one problem: Doug is very much alive. Now Laurel has to decide if she is going to do something about it. Subversive, irreverent and surprisingly poignant, Take My Husband probes the dark corners of a marriage and emerges to find the light. For anyone who 's spent a little too much time with a significant other and thought, One of us has got to go.

Dave Barry Talks Back Vintage

In this wonderfully transporting novel, award-winning author Karen Essex turns a timeless classic inside out, spinning a haunting, erotic, and suspenseful story of eternal love and possession. From the shadowy banks of the river Thames to the wild and windswept Yorkshire coast, Dracula 's eternal muse, Mina Murray, vividly recounts the intimate details of what really transpired between her and the Count—the joys and terrors of a passionate affair that has linked them through the centuries, and her rebellion against her own frightening preternatural powers. Mina 's version of this gothic vampire tale is a visceral journey into Victorian England 's dimly lit bedrooms, mist-filled cemeteries, and asylum chambers, revealing the dark secrets and mysteries locked within. Time falls away as she is swept into a mythical journey far beyond mortal comprehension, where she must finally make the decision she has been avoiding for almost a millennium. Bram Stoker 's classic novel offered one side of the story, in which Mina had no past and bore no responsibility for the unfolding events. Now, for the first time, the truth of Mina 's personal voyage, and of vampirism itself, is revealed. What this flesh and blood woman has to say is more sensual, more devious, and more enthralling than the Victorians could have expressed or perhaps even have imagined.

Hollywood, Interrupted MIRA

When it comes to movie reviews, critic Violet Epps is a powerhouse voice. But that 's only because she 's learned to channel her literary hero Dorothy Parker, the most celebrated and scathing wit of the twentieth century. If only Violet could summon that kind of strength in her personal life. Violet visits the Algonquin Hotel in an attempt to find inspiration from the hallowed dining room where Dorothy Parker and so many other famous writers of the 1920s traded barbs, but she gets more than she bargained for when Parker 's feisty spirit rematerializes. An irreverent ghost with problems of her own—including a refusal to cross over to the afterlife—Mrs. Parker helps Violet face her fears, becoming in turn mentor and tormentor...and ultimately, friend. READERS GUIDE INSIDE

Love in Lowercase ReadHowYouWant.com

NYPD detective Nikki Heat must deal with the continual presence of magazine journalist Jameson Rook as she works to solve the murder of a real estate magnate.

Dorothy Parker Drank Here John Wiley & Sons

Chronicles the efforts of the author and her husband to open and run a small bookstore in a struggling Virginia coal mining community, a pursuit challenged by the difficult economic environment, widespread transitions away from hard-copy books and numerous eccentric patrons. 30,000 first printing.

Becoming Ellen Ohio State University Press

Wielding considerable influence as a Hollywood critic in spite of insecurity, Violet Epps is approached by the ghost of Dorothy Parker, who in exchange for help with moving to the afterlife offers advice on how Violet can find the courage to speak out.

Hotel Moscow Anchor

“ Crazy, Stupid, Love meets Notting Hill. About an actress making it big and the complicated relationship she has with the guy she met as a teenager. You 'll read it in two days ” —The Skimm Their meeting in a parking lot outside a high school football game was both completely forgettable and utterly life-changing. Because no matter how you look at it, it is piss-poor luck to meet the love of your life before your life has even started. Fierce and ambitious, Alison transforms into a rising TV star in New York City while her first love, Kyle, all heart and spiritual yearning, becomes a pediatrician in suburban Cincinnati, married to the wrong woman. What could these mismatched souls have to do with each other? Everything and nothing. Even as their fates rocket them forward and apart, neither can fully let go of the past. As their lives inevitably intersect, Alison and Kyle must face each other in the revealing light of their decisions. I 'm Glad About You is a glittering study of how far the compromises two people make will take them from the lives they were meant to live.

The Dovekeepers MIRA

Disillusioned with life as a literary publicist in London and sick of her hotshot TV presenter boyfriend, twenty-something Rosie Richardson decides to give up glitz for good deeds and escape to Africa to run a refugee camp. When famine strikes and a massive refugee influx threatens to overwhelm the camp, officials drag their heels. The only way to get food fast is to bring the celebrities first, so Rosie returns to London to organize a star-studded and risky emergency appeal. Deftly skewering the world of celebrity fundraising, Fielding's debut novel is both comic and thought-provoking. Cause Celeb crackles with insights into the nature of fame, passion, and altruism in our time, all the while following an unlikely-but hugely likeable-heroine.

Take My Husband Farewell, Dorothy Parker

When a Hollywood location scout comes to Applewood, Long Island, and announces that the local elementary school might make the perfect backdrop for an upcoming George Clooney movie, the PTA's decorum crumbles like a cookie from last week's bake sale. Enter Maddie, Ruth, and Lisa, three women who become the glue that holds the project together, forging a bond of friendship stronger than anyone could imagine. And not a moment too soon, as marriage woes, old flames, and scandalously embarrassing family members threaten to tear each of them apart. Is their powerful alliance strong enough to overcome the obstacles to getting the movie made in their town? And will their friendship be enough to mend their hearts and homes? Join them as they reach for the stars . . . and try to pull off a Hollywood ending of their own. At once tender and hilarious, Secret Confessions of the Applewood PTA is a captivating story that turns suburbia upside down . . . with more humor, heartache, and heat than one PTA can hold.

Sing You Home Hachette UK

Stressed single mother and law partner Kate is in the meeting of her career when she is interrupted by a telephone call to say that her teenaged daughter Amelia has been suspended from her exclusive Brooklyn prep school for cheating on an exam. Torn between her head and her heart, she eventually arrives at St Grace's over an hour late, to be greeted by sirens wailing and ambulance lights blazing. Her daughter has jumped off the roof of the school, apparently in shame of being caught. A grieving Kate can't accept that her daughter would kill herself: it was just the two of them and Amelia would never leave her alone like this. And so begins an investigation which takes her deep into Amelia's private world, into her journals, her email account and into the mind of a troubled

young girl. Then Kate receives an anonymous text saying simply: AMELIA DIDN'T JUMP. Is someone playing with her or has she been right all along?

Animal Spirit Crown Archetype

When turbocharged Park Avenue mom Ivy Ames finds that she's been downsized from her platinum-card corporate job and her marriage, she swiftly realizes that she's going to need a whole new way to support herself and her two private-school daughters. So she dreams up a new business, helping upscale New Yorkers get their little darlings into the most exclusive kindergartens in the city. What begins as one woman's bid to earn a living becomes an everywoman's tale of midlife reinvention and unexpected romance, set in a looking-glass world where even tots have r é sum é s. "If you think you may be a neurotic parent, read this and feel sane." —Allison Pearson, author of I Don't Know How She Does It "Entertaining . . . Picks up where The Nanny Diaries left off." —The New York Post "[A] ferociously funny tale." —Us Weekly "Hilarious." —Child magazine "Tales of Manhattan's elite trying to get their tots into private schools is sure to make you smirk condescendingly . . . The Ivy Chronicles delivers." —Boston Herald "The brilliant, witty, and ultimately soulful heroine is a perfect tour guide who will leave you laughing up your latt é ..." —Jill Kargman, author of The Right Address and Wolves in Chic Clothing "With humor and heart, Karen Quinn brilliantly skewers the insanely competitive world of wealth we love to hate. Readers will cheer for Ivy!" —Leslie Schnur, author of The Dog Walker

The Little Bookstore of Big Stone Gap Ballantine Books

"The acid-tongued Dorothy Parker is back and once again haunting the halls of the Algonquin with her piercing wit and unexpectedly tender wisdom"--

Dorothy Parker Penguin

Presents an assortment of facts about the qualifications and characteristics of U.S. presidents, from George Washington to Bill Clinton.

Why We Read Fiction HarperCollins

Marion Meade's engrossing and comprehensive biography of one of the twentieth century's most captivating women In this lively, absorbing biography,

Marion Meade illuminates both the charm and the dark side of Dorothy Parker, exploring her days of wicked wittiness at the Algonquin Round Table with the likes of Robert Benchley, George Kaufman, and Harold Ross, and in Hollywood with S. J. Perelman, William Faulkner, and Lillian Hellman. At the dazzling center of it all, Meade gives us the flamboyant, self-destructive, and brilliant Dorothy Parker. This edition features a new afterword by Marion Meade.

The Prisoner of Paradise Simon and Schuster

A mysterious stranger sweeps a Scottish beauty off her feet in this enchanting novella of winter ' s passion and forbidden love. . . 1869: Isobel MacDonald is spending Christmas at her family ' s estate in the Scottish Highlands, enjoying her last holiday before she is married off. Isobel has no desire to wed the stuffy earl, especially after she meets a mysterious man who helps her find a treasured clan pin she has lost in the woods. This dark and sensual stranger is from Annwyn, the Celtic Otherworld, where he is prince of the Night Sidhe. Love between mortals and the Sidhe is forbidden, but Prince Daegan casts a spell on Isobel ' s clan pin, beckoning her to the woods, where he awaits her—willing to risk the existence he has always known for the sake of the one woman he must have. . . Yuletide Enchantment previously appeared in A Highlander Christmas