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Where's Smiley? Simon and Schuster

After his mother bribes him into reading a self-help book on how to form satisfying relationships and enjoy a happy life, cynical eighth-grader Kyle finds there may be more to the book than he realized.

Bright Lights, Dark Nights Penguin

The small town of Bridgeford is in crisis. Downtown is deserted, businesses are closing, and the idea of civic pride seems old-fashioned to residents rushing through the streets to get somewhere

else. Bridgeford seems to have lost its heart. But there is one thing that just might unite the community--music. The local choir, a group generally either ignored or mocked by most of Bridgeford's inhabitants, is preparing for an important contest, and to win it they need new members, and a whole new sound. Enlisting (some may say drafting) singers, who include a mother suffering from empty-nest syndrome, a middle-aged man who has just lost his job and his family, and a nineteen-year-old waitress who dreams of reality-TV stardom, the choir regulars must find--and make--harmony with

neighbors they've been happy not to know for years. Can they all learn to work together, save the choir, and maybe even save their town in the process? All Together Now is a poignant and charming novel about community, family, falling in love--and the big rewards of making a small change.

My Swordhand Is Singing Little, Brown Books for Young Readers

Toby had it all. The looks, the popularity, a promising rugby career ahead of him. Until he came into his life. *Uncommon Service* Simon and Schuster

The Mau Mau - the name of a secret society that once struck terror into the hearts of British settlers in Kenya. An episode in history that ended in a State of Emergency, with violent and brutal acts dividing a nation. This is an intensely personal

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and vivid story of two boys: one black, one white. Once they were friends even though their circumstances are very different. But in a country driven by fear and prejudice, even the best of friends can betray one another . . .

Internationally acclaimed and award-winning author Beverley Naidoo explores new territory in this beautifully realized and moving story set in Britain's colonial past.

*A Tale Dark & Grimm*

Createspace Independent Pub

An amazingly humorous book that will seize your heart with its depth, warmth and wisdom.

*Carter Finally Gets It*

HarperCollins

Cute girls dig him. He has his own fan club But he wasn't always this awesome.

He used to be Mr. Comic Book, a resident of

Lonelyland. So when he switched schools, he slapped on a grin and went from big nerd to big shot. Meet

Happyface. This is his journal. This unique

combination of text and fully integrated art follows the journey of a dorky, quiet,

artsy kid as he reinvents himself after moving to a new town, where he's

nicknamed Happyface. Peek in his journal and see the world through his hilariously

self-deprecating eyes as he learns to shed his comic-

book-loving, computer-game

playing ways. Join him as he makes new friends, tries to hide from his messy past, forgives the people who have hurt him most, and ultimately learns to face the world with a genuine smile.

*Why Can't I Use a Smiley Face?* Wendy Lamb Books

In this fearless portrayal of a boy on the edge, highly acclaimed Printz Honor author A.S. King explores the desperate reality of a former child "star" struggling to break free of his anger.

Gerald Faust started feeling angry even before his mother invited a reality TV crew into his five-year-old life.

Twelve years later, he's still haunted by his rage-filled youth--which the entire world got to watch from every imaginable angle--and his anger issues have resulted in violent outbursts, zero friends, and clueless adults dumping him in the special education room at school.

No one cares that Gerald has tried to learn to control himself; they're all just waiting for him to snap. And he's starting to feel dangerously close to doing just that...until he chooses to create possibilities for himself that he never knew he deserved.

*Noggin* Ember

This National Book Award

Finalist is a thought-provoking exploration of emotional abuse, self-reliance and the nature of evil. A heart-wrenching portrait of family crisis, this is perfect for fans of Laurie Halse Anderson 's *Speak* and Jay Asher 's *Thirteen Reasons Why*. For Matt and his sisters, life with their cruel, physically abusive mother is a day-to-day struggle for survival. But then Matt witnesses a man named Murdoch coming to a child 's rescue in a convenience store; and for the first time, he feels a glimmer of hope. Then, amazingly, Murdoch begins dating Matt 's mother. Life is suddenly almost good. But the relief lasts only a short time. When Murdoch inevitable breaks up with their mother, Matt knows that he 'll need to take some action. Can he call upon Murdoch to be his hero? Or will Matt have to take measures into his own hands? A gripping, powerful novel that will stay with you long after you 've read it. Nancy Werlin, the New York Times Bestselling author of *Impossible*, shows why she is a master of her genre. " [A] dark but hopeful tale, with pacing and suspense guaranteed to leave readers breathlessly turning the pages. " —Booklist (starred review) " Beautifully framed as a letter from Matthew to his younger sister, the suspense is paced to keep Matthew 's survival and personal revelations chock-full of dramatic tension. Bring tissues. " —Kirkus (starred review) " Grace and insight. " —School Library Journal (starred review) National Book Award Finalist LA Times Book Prize Finalist ALA Best Books of the Year ALA Quick

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Pick

Toby Alone Hachette UK

When the moon's gravitational pull increases, causing massive natural disasters on Earth, Miranda and her family struggle to survive in a world without cities or sunlight, and wonder if anyone else is still alive.

Prime Baby Workman Publishing

WHEN TOMAS AND HIS SON, Peter, settle in Chust as woodcutters, Tomas digs a channel of fast-flowing waters around their hut, so they have their own little island kingdom. Peter doesn't understand why his father has done this, nor why his father carries a long, battered box, whose mysterious contents he is forbidden to know. But Tomas is a man with a past: a past that is tracking him with deadly intent, and when the dead of Chust begin to rise from their graves, both father and son must face a soulless enemy and a terrifying destiny.

The Life History of a Star Little, Brown Books for Young Readers

An seiner neuen Schule versucht sich der Ich-Erzähler ein neues Image zu geben: Happyface! Happyface ist cool, beliebt und steht immer im Mittelpunkt. Die Wahrheit sieht allerdings anders aus. Und das bekommen die Freunde - und die Freundin - irgendwann auch mit. Ab 14. HOW TO BE REALLY, REALLY, REALLY HAPPY!

Roaring Brook Press

Anya, embarrassed by her Russian immigrant family and self-

conscious about her body, has given up on fitting in at school, but when she falls down a well and makes friends with the ghost there, she thinks she's found just what she needs--or has she?

Simultaneous.

If You're So Smart, Why Aren't You Happy?

Candlewick Press

In this mischievous and utterly original debut, Hansel and Gretel walk out of their own story and into eight other classic Grimm-inspired tales. As readers follow the siblings through a forest brimming with menacing foes, they learn the true story behind (and beyond) the bread crumbs, edible houses, and outwitted witches. Fairy tales have never been more irreverent or subversive as Hansel and Gretel learn to take charge of their destinies and become the clever architects of their own happily ever after.

Emo Boy Penguin UK

The first book by the creator of COURSERA®'s most popular online course in 2015, "A Life of Happiness and Fulfillment" Could the same traits that drive your career success also be keeping you from being happier? Fifteen years after getting his MBA, Raj Raghunathan spent some time with his old classmates. He noticed that though they 'd all done well, there didn ' t appear to be much

correlation between their academic success and career success. What Raj found even more curious was the even smaller correlation between career success and what he calls life success. The greater the career success, the more unhappy, out of shape, harried and distracted his friends were. If intelligence helps with decision-making, smart people should naturally make better life choices. So why are so many of the smartest, brightest, most successful people profoundly unhappy? Raj set out to find an answer to this problem, and extensively researched happiness not just of students and business people, but also stay-at-home-parents, lawyers, and artists, among others. If You ' re So Smart, Why Aren ' t You Happy? takes readers on a fun and meaningful tour of the best research available on how some of the very determinants of success may also come to deflate happiness.

Raghunathan explores the seven most common inclinations that successful people need to overcome, and the seven habits they should adopt instead. Among his surprising findings... · The correlation between wealth and happiness is much smaller than you'd expect it to be

- Generosity is not only a key to happiness, but a determining factor of long term success
- Appreciating uncertainty,

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rather than seeking full control of outcomes, is necessary for happiness. If You're So Smart, Why Aren't You Happy? will give you a powerful new perspective on your work, personal goals and relationships, whether you're already successful or just starting out.

Happiness Unlimited Little Simon

When Thaddeus learns that his baby sister is an interdimensional conduit for peace-loving aliens, he finds it hard to convince anyone of his discovery, in a laugh-out-loud look at sibling rivalry.

Simultaneous.

Harvard Business Press

2014 NATIONAL BOOK

AWARD FINALIST

Travis Coates has a good head...

...on someone else's shoulders. A

touching, hilarious "tour de

force of imagination and

empathy" (Booklist, starred

review) from John Corey Whaley,

author of the Printz and Morris

Award – winning Where Things

Come Back. Listen—Travis

Coates was alive once and then

he wasn't. Now he's alive

again. Simple as that. The in

between part is still a little fuzzy,

but Travis can tell you that, at

some point or another, his head

got chopped off and shoved into a

freezer in Denver, Colorado. Five

years later, it was reattached to

some other guy's body, and

well, here he is. Despite all logic,

he's still sixteen, but everything

and everyone around him has

changed. That includes his

bedroom, his parents, his best

friend, and his girlfriend. Or maybe she's not his girlfriend anymore? That's a bit fuzzy too.

Looks like if the new Travis and the old Travis are ever going to find a way to exist together, there are going to be a few more scars.

Oh well, you only live twice.

Mirror Girls Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

Winter Town Little, Brown

Books for Young Readers

Happyface Macmillan

Fourteen-year-old Kristin Folger

knows that things are changing as

she watches her own body change

before her eyes and sees her best

friend dating strange boys in this

diary-format tale set in the early

1970s.

Crying Laughing Farrar,

Straus and Giroux (BYR)

A story about first love, first

fights, and finding yourself in

a messed up world, from the

acclaimed author of

Happyface. Walter Wilcox

has never been in love. That

is, until he meets Naomi, and

sparks, and clever jokes, fly.

But when his cop dad is

caught in a racial profiling

scandal, Walter and Naomi,

who is African American,

are called out at school,

home, and online. Can their

bond (and mutual love of the

Foo Fighters) keep them

together? With black-and-

white illustrations

throughout and a heartfelt,

humorous voice, Bright

Lights, Dark Nights

authentically captures just

how tough first love can

be...and why it's worth fighting for.

Bright Lights, Dark Nights

Bloomsbury Publishing

I feel like I'm about to pass out,

but that won't do much for my

new reputation as a non-dork,

so I bury my head in the Book

instead. There's not much

there, really—just the senior

portrait of every girl in my

class, and below each photo,

space for me to record her

measurements—once I get her

measurements, that is. From

his flute-playing prowess to his

nerdy reputation, Kevin

Mopsely epitomizes uncool.

When popular jock Brandon

Trent appoints Kevin to

compile the Book of Busts—a

record of the bust, waist, and

hip measurements of every

senior girl—Kevin fears he's

out of his league. The Book,

however, is the key to his

popularity, so Kevin accepts

the challenge—uncovering

much more than he bargained

for in the process. Busted is a

hilarious and provocative

debut that tackles the intricate

issues of first love, testosterone-

laden peer pressure, feminism,

and "GRRL power" with a

fresh and unique voice that will

appeal to both male and

female teenage readers.