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Shifting the Balance
Penguin
Years after his real

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parents are killed by a drunken driver and Thorn executes his own justice in the form of murder, his foster-mother is found brutally killed on her charter fishing boat, and Thorn, now in his late thirties, edges in among the suspects.

The Bestseller Code
Simon and Schuster

In an unnamed Third World country, in the not-so-distant future, three “dumpsite boys” make a living picking through the mountains of garbage on the outskirts of a large city. One unlucky-lucky

day, Raphael finds something very special and very mysterious. So mysterious that he decides to keep it, even when the city police offer a handsome reward for its return. That decision brings with it terrifying consequences, and soon the dumpsite boys must use all of their cunning and courage to stay ahead of their pursuers. It’s up to Raphael, Gardo, and Rat—boys who have no education, no parents, no homes, and no money—to solve the mystery and right a terrible

wrong. Andy Mulligan has written a powerful story about unthinkable poverty—and the kind of hope and determination that can transcend it. With twists and turns, unrelenting action, and deep, raw emotion, *Trash* is a heart-pounding, breath-holding novel.

Virals St.

Martin's Press
Judd Foxman is thrown together with his dysfunctional family when his father dies, while at the same time coping with his wife's infidelity and the end of his marriage.

On Rereading
Turtleback Books

"The Bestselling Hardcover Novel of the Year."--Publishers Weekly From the number-one bestselling author of *The Nightingale* and *The Great Alone* comes a powerful American epic about love and heroism and hope, set during the Great Depression, a time when the country was in crisis and at war with itself, when millions were out of work and even the land seemed to have turned against them. " My land tells its story if you listen. The story of our family. " Texas, 1921. A time of abundance. The Great War is over, the bounty of the

land is plentiful, and America is on the brink of a new and optimistic era. But for Elsa Wolcott, deemed too old to marry in a time when marriage is a woman ' s only option, the future seems bleak. Until the night she meets Rafe Martinelli and decides to change the direction of her life. With her reputation in ruin, there is only one respectable choice: marriage to a man she barely knows. By 1934, the world has changed; millions are out of work and drought has devastated the Great Plains. Farmers are fighting to keep their land and their livelihoods

as crops fail and water dries up and the earth cracks open. Dust storms roll relentlessly across the plains. Everything on the Martinelli farm is dying, including Elsa ' s tenuous marriage; each day is a desperate battle against nature and a fight to keep her children alive. In this uncertain and perilous time, Elsa—like so many of her neighbors—must make an agonizing choice: fight for the land she loves or leave it behind and go west, to California, in search of a better life for her family. *The Four Winds* is a rich, sweeping novel

that stunningly brings to life the Great Depression and the people who lived through it—the harsh realities that divided us as a nation and the enduring battle between the haves and the have-nots. A testament to hope, resilience, and the strength of the human spirit to survive adversity, *The Four Winds* is an indelible portrait of America and the American dream, as seen through the eyes of one indomitable woman whose courage and sacrifice will come to define a generation.

Beginning Theory

Cambridge

University Press

These days, it seems

that everyone has a strong opinion about how to teach young children to read. Some may brush off the current tension as nothing more than one more round of "the reading wars." Others may avoid the clash altogether due to the uncivilized discourse that sometimes results. Certainly, sorting the signal from the noise is no easy task. In this leading-edge book, authors Jan Burkins and Kari Yates address this tension as a critical opportunity to look closely at the research, reevaluate current practices, and embrace new possibilities for an even stronger enactment of balanced literacy. From phonological processing to brain research to

orthographic mapping to self-teaching hypothesis, *Shifting the Balance* cuts through the rhetoric (and the sciencey science) to offer readers a practical guide to decision-making about beginning reading instruction. The authors honor the balanced literacy perspective while highlighting common practices to reconsider and revise--all through a lens of what's best for the students sitting in front of us. Across six shifts, each chapter identifies a common instructional practice to reconsider explores various misunderstandings that establish and keep that practice in play shares scientific research to support its reconsideration

proposes an instructional shift to apply a new perspective, and details several high-leverage instructional routines to support implementation of that shift. By pinpointing gaps and overlaps--as well as common misunderstandings and missed opportunities between the competing lines of thought--Jan and Kari offer busy educators direction and clarification for integrating science and balance into their daily instruction, while keeping meaningful experiences with text a priority. Viperion Publishing Corp Details the third thrilling adventure of resourceful

young criminal mastermind, Artemis Fowl, who has found a way to construct a supercomputer from stolen fairy technology. Bloodlust & Bonnets St. Martin's Press A collection of sixty classic and contemporary essays, stories, lists, poems, quotations, and cartoons that celebrates the joys of reading, the feeling of spending hours browsing through a bookstore, and the people for whom buying books is a necessity. Booklovers will find themselves in good company within the pages of *A Passion for Books*, beginning with science-fiction great Ray Bradbury's foreword and

throughout contributions like-- Umberto Eco's *How to Justify a Private Library*, dealing with the question everyone with a sizable library is inevitably asked: "Have you read all these books?"; Gustave Flaubert's *Bibliomania*, the tale of a book collector so obsessed with owning a book that he is willing to kill to possess it; and Anna Quindlen's *How Reading Changed My Life*, in which she shares her optimistic view on the role of reading and the future of books in the computer age. Interspersed throughout are entertaining lists--*Ten Bestselling Books Rejected by Publishers* *Twenty Times or More*, Norman Mailer's *Ten*

Favorite American Novels and many more-- plus select writings on bookstores, book clubs, cartoons about books and a specially prepared "bibliobibliography" of books about books. Whether you consider yourself a bibliomaniac or just someone who enjoys reading, *A Passion for Books* will provide you with a lifetime's worth of entertaining, informative, and pleasurable reading on your favorite subject--the love of books.

Paper Towns

Rupa Publications
Jason, a twelve-year-old autistic boy who wants to become a writer, relates what his life is like as he

tries to make sense of his world.

Trash Random House

Trade Paperbacks

After retiring from teaching literature, Patricia Meyer Spacks embarked on a year-long project of rereading dozens of novels: childhood favorites, young adult fiction, canonical works she didn't like, guilty pleasures.

On Rereading records the surprising, fascinating results of her personal experiment and raises a number of intriguing questions.

How I Became a Famous Novelist

Columbia University Press

Braithwaite argues that shame can be used as a constructive way to help criminals.

This Mortal Coil

Knopf Books for Young Readers

"Redefines 'unputdownable.'"

—Amie Kaufman,

New York Times

bestselling author of

Iluminae "I was

thrilled. I was

shocked." —NPR

"Stunning twists and

turns." —BCCB

(starred review) In

this gripping debut

novel, seventeen-year-

old Cat must use her

gene-hacking skills to

decode her late

father's message

concealing a vaccine

to a horrifying

plague. Catarina

Agatta is a hacker.

She can cripple

mainframes and crash

through firewalls, but

that's not what

makes her special. In

Cat's world, people

are implanted with

technology to recode

their DNA, allowing

them to change their

bodies in any way they want. And Cat happens to be a gene-hacking genius. That's no surprise, since Cat's father is Dr. Lachlan Agatta, a legendary geneticist who may be the last hope for defeating a plague that has brought humanity to the brink of extinction. But during the outbreak, Lachlan was kidnapped by a shadowy organization called Cartaxus, leaving Cat to survive the last two years on her own. When a Cartaxus soldier, Cole, arrives with news that her father has been killed, Cat's instincts tell her it's just another Cartaxus lie. But Cole also brings a message: before Lachlan died, he managed to create a vaccine, and Cole needs Cat's help to

release it and save the human race. Now Cat must decide who she can trust: The soldier with secrets of his own? The father who made her promise to hide from Cartaxus at all costs? In a world where nature itself can be rewritten, how much can she even trust herself?

The Way of Kings
Simon and Schuster
"When a story captures the imagination of millions, that's magic. Can you qualify magic? Archer and Jockers just may have done so."—Sylvia Day, New York Times bestselling author
Ask most people about massive success in the world of fiction, and you'll typically

hear that it's a game of hazy crystal balls. The sales figures of E. L. James or Dan Brown seem to be freakish—random occurrences in an unknowable market. But what if there were an algorithm that could reveal a secret DNA of bestsellers, regardless of their genre? What if it knew, just from analyzing the words alone, not just why genre writers like John Grisham and Danielle Steel belong on the lists, but also that authors such as Junot Diaz, Jodi Picoult, and Donna Tartt had telltale signs of success all over their pages? Thanks to Jodie Archer and

Matthew Jockers, the computer's analysis algorithm exists, the code has been cracked, and the results bring fresh new insights into how fiction works and why we read. The Bestseller Code offers a new theory for why Fifty Shades of Grey sold so well. It sheds light on the current craze for dark heroines. It reveals which themes tend to sell best. And all with fascinating supporting data taken from a five-year study of twenty thousand novels. Then there is the hunt for "the one"—the paradigmatic example of bestselling writing according to a

of thousands of points of data. The result is surprising, a bit ironic, and delightfully unorthodox. This book explains groundbreaking text-mining research in accessible terms and offers a new perspective on the New York Times bestseller list. It's a big-idea book about the relationship between creativity and technology that will be provocative to anyone interested in how analytics have already transformed the worlds of finance, medicine, and sports. But at heart it is a celebration of books for readers and writers—a

compelling investigation into how successful writing works, and a fresh take on our intellectual and emotional response to stories.

The Rose Code
Farrar, Straus and Giroux
A triumphant tale of a young woman and her difficult childhood, *The Glass Castle* is a remarkable memoir of resilience, redemption, and a revelatory look into a family at once deeply dysfunctional and wonderfully vibrant. Jeannette Walls was the second of four children raised by anti-institutional parents in a household of extremes.

The Givenchy Code
"O'Reilly Media,

Inc." Grad student Melanie Prescott's life takes an interesting turn when she finds herself targeted by a madman, joining forces with a handsome stranger to follow a trail of clues that she must solve if she is survive. By the author of *Nobody But You*. Reprint. *Cracking the Code* ReadHowYouWant.com Adventure is in Tory Brennan's blood. After all, she's the grandniece of world-famous forensic anthropologist Temperance Brennan. Always up for a challenge, Tory and her science-geek friends spend their time exploring the marshlands of Loggerhead Island, home to the very off-limits Loggerhead

Island Research Institute, where something strange is going on. After rescuing a stray wolfdog pup from a top-secret lab, Tory and her friends are exposed to a rare strain of canine parvovirus, changing them--and their DNA--forever. Now they are more than friends. They are a pack. They are Virals. And they're dangerous to the core. But are they unstoppable enough to catch a cold-blooded murderer? *Under Cover of Daylight* Harvard University Press NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER Following his explosive New York Times bestseller *Red Notice*, Bill Browder returns with another gripping thriller chronicling how he

became Vladimir Putin's number one enemy by exposing Putin's campaign to steal and launder hundreds of billions of dollars and kill anyone who stands in his way. When Bill Browder's young Russian lawyer, Sergei Magnitsky, was beaten to death in a Moscow jail, Browder made it his life's mission to go after his killers and make sure they faced justice. The first step of that mission was to uncover who was behind the \$230 million tax refund scheme that Magnitsky was killed over. As Browder and his team tracked the money as it flowed out of Russia through the Baltics and Cyprus and on to Western Europe and the Americas, they

were shocked to discover that Vladimir Putin himself was a beneficiary of the crime. As law enforcement agencies began freezing the money, Putin retaliated. He and his cronies set up honey traps, hired process servers to chase Browder through cities, murdered more of his Russian allies, and enlisted some of the top lawyers and politicians in America to bring him down. Putin will stop at nothing to protect his money. As *Freezing Order* reveals, it was Browder's campaign to expose Putin's corruption that prompted Russia's intervention in the 2016 US presidential election. At once a financial caper, an international adventure, and a

passionate plea for justice, *Freezing Order* is a stirring morality tale about how one man can take on one of the most ruthless villains in the world—and win.

The Millionaire

Fastlane Simon and Schuster

Introduces the world of Roshar through the experiences of a war-weary royal compelled by visions, a highborn youth condemned to military slavery, and a woman who is desperate to save her impoverished house.

Wonder Hodder & Stoughton

Hit Lit Random House Trade Paperbacks

Must Read:

Rediscovering

American

Bestsellers Dutton

The second book in Suzanne Collins's

phenomenal and worldwide

bestselling *Hunger Games* trilogy.

Why I Read

HarperCollins

Presents recipes

ranging in difficulty with the science and technology-minded

cook in mind,

providing the science behind

cooking, the physiology of taste,

and the techniques of molecular

gastronomy.