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Nursery Crimes Avid Reader Press / Simon & Schuster

A collection of short stories examines the lives of suburbanites seeking solace and gratification in food, sex, work, and love.

Love and Treasure City Lights Books

Eleven-year-old Lisa becomes her mother's primary support when they face the prospect of homelessness. As Dee, a single mother, struggles with the demons of her own childhood of neglect and abuse, Lisa has to quickly assume the role of an adult in an attempt to keep some stability in their lives. "Dee and Tiny" ultimately become underground celebrities in San Francisco, squatting in storefronts and performing the "art of homelessness." Their story, filled with black humor and incisive analysis, illuminates the roots of poverty, the criminalization of poor families, and their struggle for survival. **Days of Awe** Random House Large Print Publishing

WHEN DANGER ARRIVES, REAL MEN TAKE ACTION Detective Andrew Logan hears that Detective Antonia Oliver is back in town. It's been four years since they were involved in a hot, heavy, and steamy affair. Andrew's life gets complicated when Toni is assigned as his new partner. Paired together, they try hard to ignore the sexual chemistry that's stronger than ever between them. One homicide investigation turns deadly and Toni's life is in danger. Andrew goes into action, determined to protect the woman he's trying his damndest not to fall in love with.

Bye-Bye, Black Sheep Phoenixx Classics Ebooks

A groundbreaking collection of essays by celebrated international writers bears witness to the human cost of fifty years of Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza. In **Kingdom of Olives and Ash**, Michael Chabon and Ayelet Waldman, two of today's most renowned novelists and essayists, have teamed up with the Israeli NGO Breaking the Silence—an organization comprised of former Israeli soldiers who served in the occupied territories and saw firsthand the injustice there—and a host of illustrious writers to tell the stories of the people on the ground in the contested territories. **Kingdom of Olives and Ash** includes contributions from several of today's most esteemed storytellers including: Colum McCann, Jacqueline Woodson, Colm Toibin, Geraldine Brooks, Dave Eggers, Hari Kunzru, Raja Shehadeh, Mario Vargas Llosa and Assaf Gavron, as well as from editors Chabon and Waldman. Through these incisive, perceptive, and poignant essays, readers will gain unique insight into the narratives behind the litany of grim destruction broadcasted nightly on the news, as well as deeper understanding of the conflict as experienced by the people who live in the occupied territories. Together, these stories stand witness to the human cost of the occupation.

ENTANGLED PURSUITS Harper Collins

Traces the lives of the Tetherly and Copaken families in the aftermath of a child's tragic death, which results in a broken marriage, a bonding between bereaved siblings and healing in the form of an adopted girl's prodigious violin talent. By the author of the best-selling *Bad Mother*.

Kingdom of Olives and Ash Random House Trade Paperbacks

The Oscar-nominated documentary filmmaker of *Murderball* and former senior editor at Spin draws on three years of interviews to present a racy, tongue-in-cheek guide to marriage that reflects today's jaded views on the institution and real-world insights into topics ranging from sex and in-laws to money and the Internet.

Pen on Fire Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

Examines current expectations of motherhood through anecdotes and examples, explaining that no one can be a perfect mother, and that what some would call bad mothers are actually pretty good.

Just Pursuit Thomas Nelson Inc

"A dream of a debut, by turns troubling and glorious, angry and wise." —Junot Diaz

Hope and Other Dangerous Pursuits evokes the grit and enduring grace that is modern Morocco. As four Moroccans illegally cross the Strait of Gibraltar in an inflatable boat headed for Spain, author Laila Lalami asks, What has driven them to risk their lives? And will the rewards prove to be worth the danger? There's Murad, a gentle, unemployed man who's been

reduced to hustling tourists around Tangier; Halima, who's fleeing her drunken husband and the slums of Casablanca; Aziz, who must leave behind his devoted wife in hope of securing work in Spain; and Faten, a student and religious fanatic whose faith is at odds with an influential man determined to destroy her future. Sensitively written with beauty and boldness, this is a gripping book about what propels people to risk their lives in search of a better future.

Love and Other Impossible Pursuits W. W. Norton & Company

Because their dreams of daring adventures go against the cautious teachings of their nations, Firefly and Cricket set out on their own, find a home with kindly Vole, and together help a grieving "miniature giant" named Peter.

A Playdate With Death Vintage

Nicomachean Ethics Aristotle - The *Nicomachean Ethics* is one of Aristotle's most widely read and influential works. Ideas central to ethics—that happiness is the end of human endeavor, that moral virtue is formed through action and habituation, and that good action requires prudence—found their most powerful proponent in the person medieval scholars simply called "the Philosopher." Drawing on their intimate knowledge of Aristotle's thought, Robert C. Bartlett and Susan D. Collins have produced here an English-language translation of the *Ethics* that is as remarkably faithful to the original as it is graceful in its rendering. Aristotle is well known for the precision with which he chooses his words, and in this elegant translation his work has found its ideal match. Bartlett and Collins provide copious notes and a glossary providing context and further explanation for students, as well as an introduction and a substantial interpretive essay that sketch central arguments of the work and the seminal place of Aristotle's *Ethics* in his political philosophy as a whole. The *Nicomachean Ethics* has engaged the serious interest of readers across centuries and civilizations—of peoples ancient, medieval, and modern; pagan, Christian, Muslim, and Jewish—and this new edition will take its place as the standard English-language translation.

Love and Treasure Simon and Schuster

"Readers of Anne Tyler and Jodi Picoult will appreciate the lyrical prose and expert rendering of the themes of heartbreak and loss."—Booklist

An unforgettable novel about friendship, love and loss. With extraordinary emotional power, Linda Olsson's stunningly well-crafted debut novel recounts the unusual and unexpected friendship that develops between two women. Veronika, a young writer from New Zealand, rents a house in a small Swedish village as she tries to come to terms with a recent tragedy while also finishing a novel. Her arrival is silently observed by Astrid, an older, reclusive neighbor who slowly becomes a presence in Veronika's life, offering comfort in the form of companionship and lovingly prepared home-cooked meals. Set against a haunting Swedish landscape, *Astrid & Veronika* is a lyrical and meditative novel of love and loss, and a story that will remain with readers long after the characters' secrets are revealed.

Fight of the Century Penguin

Janusz Wisniewski

To Sir Phillip, With Love Penguin

Recounts lessons the author learned through taking on challenging and unique opportunities, offering commentary on the inherent compatibility of adventure and the Christian life as well as love's ability to encourage and inspire action.

Inside This Place, Not of It Bethany House Pub

Sometimes everything is not enough... Fran has a good life: a happy marriage to a successful man, a healthy, sweet-natured toddler, a nice London flat. Then, one day, she walks out, leaving it all behind. As Fran travels to Las Vegas and on to Vancouver she is haunted by memories of her own childhood and driven to reconnect with her estranged mother, Ireni, whose descent into alcoholism has left her destitute. Will understanding why her own mother failed as a parent help Fran lay the ghosts of her past to rest and return home to her husband and child, or is she destined to repeat her mother's mistakes? Praise for *A Little Stranger*: "The dark side of motherhood explored in a tale of terror and rage" Independent "Gripping, sharp and brilliantly

kind. She knows the gamble that life is and she never once flinches. Her books are always revelations.

What a good read" Ali Smith "Pullinger treats with thoughtful sympathy that profound taboo, the breaking of the mother-baby bond" Guardian "A Little Stranger is that extraordinary thing: a mix of literary excellence and finesse combined with a very ordinary and accessible look at life" Sunday Express

Love Does Kate Pullinger Books

New York Times bestselling author Mary Balogh presents the first historical romance in the Westcott series, where the death of an earl reveals a most scandalous secret. Humphrey Westcott, Earl of Riverdale, has died, leaving behind a fortune and a scandalous secret that will forever alter the lives of everyone in his family—including the daughter no one knew he had... Anna Snow grew up in an orphanage in Bath knowing nothing of the family she came from. Now she discovers that the late Earl of Riverdale was her father and that she has inherited his fortune. She is also overjoyed to learn she has siblings. However, they want nothing to do with her or her attempts to share her new wealth. But the new earl's guardian is interested in Anna... Avery Archer, Duke of Netherby, keeps others at a distance. Yet something prompts him to aid Anna in her transition from orphan to lady. As London society and her newfound relatives threaten to overwhelm Anna, Avery steps in to rescue her and finds himself vulnerable to feelings and desires he has hidden so well and for so long.

Murder Plays House Simon and Schuster

Inside This Place, Not of It reveals some of the most egregious human rights violations within women's prisons in the United States. Here, in their own words, thirteen narrators recount their lives leading up to incarceration and their harrowing struggle for survival once inside. Among the narrators: Theresa, who spent years believing her health and life were in danger, being aggressively treated with a variety of medications for a disease she never had. Only on her release did she discover that an incompetent prison medical bureaucracy had misdiagnosed her with HIV. Anna, who repeatedly warned apathetic prison guards about a suicidal cellmate. When the woman killed herself, the guards punished Anna in an attempt to silence her and hide their own negligence. Teri, who was sentenced to up to fifty years for aiding and abetting a robbery when she was only seventeen. A prison guard raped Teri, who was still a teenager, and the assaults continued for years with the complicity of other staff.

Hope and Other Dangerous Pursuits Simon and Schuster

The true story of how a renowned writer's struggle with mood storms led her to try a remedy as drastic as it is forbidden: microdoses of LSD. Her revealing, fascinating journey provides a window into one family and the complex world of a once-infamous drug seen through new eyes. When a small vial arrives in her mailbox from "Lewis Carroll," Ayelet Waldman is at a low point. Her moods have become intolerably severe; she has tried nearly every medication possible; her husband and children are suffering with her. So she opens the vial, places two drops on her tongue, and joins the ranks of an underground but increasingly vocal group of scientists and civilians successfully using therapeutic microdoses of LSD. As Waldman charts her experience over the course of a month--bursts of productivity, sleepless nights, a newfound sense of equanimity--she also explores the history and mythology of LSD, the cutting-edge research into the drug, and the byzantine policies that control it. Drawing on her experience as a federal public defender, and as the mother of teenagers, and her research into the therapeutic value of psychedelics, Waldman has produced a book that is eye-opening, often hilarious, and utterly enthralling.

Strangers Drowning HarperCollins

Waldman's provocative new novel--now in paperback--provides an emotionally gripping, unflinchingly honest look at what it's like to live and love in the real world.

A Little Stranger Doubleday Books

“ Smart sleuthing...the way [Juliet] maintains her sense of humor while juggling detective chores and baby duty is awesome. ” —The New York Times A public defender turned Stay-at-home mom, Juliet Applebaum is bored with playdates and trips to the park—so near the end of her second pregnancy, she gets off the mommy track to track down a murderer.... Juliet isn ’ t too surprised when her feisty, tantrum-throwing two-year-old daughter doesn ’ t get into Hollywood ’ s premier preschool—but she ’ s shocked and suspicious when the school ’ s principal is killed in a hit-and-run accident. Against the advice of her screenwriter husband, and with her rambunctious toddler in tow, Juliet heads to the local playground to dig up some dirt on a disgruntled studio executive whose daughter wasn ’ t offered a place in the school. But she has some surprising new suspects to consider when her investigation takes her into a seedy on-line newsgroup—and the most dangerous parts of the human heart.... “ [Juliet is] a lot like Elizabeth Peters ’ s warm and humorous Amelia Peabody—a brassy, funny, quick-witted protagonist. ” —The Houston Chronicle

Last Things Vintage

Brilliantly witty mystery from the author of *Bad Mother and Love and Treasure*... Teeter-tottering on the brink of sanity, Juliet Applebaum not only solves crimes; she does it with diapers, bottles, and...oh yes, three kids in tow. This time she ’ ll play hide-and-seek with some of South Central ’ s seediest denizens. But this is no child ’ s play... Their fledgling detective agency has spread its wings—and now husband-and-wife team Juliet Applebaum and Al Hockey, once in the hole, are finally flying high. A Hollywood lawyer uses them regularly to clean up after some of his less-than-discreet celeb clients. They see people come through the doors of their garage-turned-office, seeking defense investigation. They also see insurance investigation cases. But Juliet and Al are about to find out: they ain ’ t seen nothin ’ yet... Heavenly has come to Juliet with a story too sad for any detective with a conscience to turn down. Her sister, an addict and streetwalker, has turned up dead—and the police couldn ’ t care less. With any luck—and with plucky Juliet doing all she can—Heavenly will learn what she can about her sister ’ s death and, if possible, bring the killer to justice. But it ’ s hard going undercover when you ’ re a tall, gorgeous transsexual... Ayelet Waldman, a Harvard Law School graduate and former public defender, is the author of *Love and Other Impossible Pursuits*, *Daughter's Keeper*, and *Red Hook Road* as well as the *Mommy-Track Mysteries*, including such titles as *Death Gets a Time-Out* and *A Playdate with Death*.