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# Lucky Number Four Amanda Jason

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From the creator of the  
popular website Ask a  
Manager and New York 's

work-advice columnist  
comes a witty, practical  
guide to 200 difficult  
professional  
conversations—featuring all-  
new advice! There ' s a  
reason Alison Green has  
been called “ the Dear Abby  
of the work world. ” Ten  
years as a workplace-  
advice columnist have  
taught her that people avoid  
awkward conversations in

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the office because they simply don't know what to say. Thankfully, Green does—and in this incredibly helpful book, she tackles the tough discussions you may need to have during your career. You'll learn what to say when • coworkers push their work on you—then take credit for it • you accidentally trash-talk someone in an email then hit “reply all” • you're being micromanaged—or not being managed at all • you catch a colleague in a lie • your boss seems unhappy with your work • your cubemate's loud speakerphone is making you homicidal • you got drunk at the holiday party

Praise for *Ask a Manager*  
 “A must-read for anyone who works . . . [Alison Green's] advice boils down to the idea that you should be professional (even when others are not) and that communicating in a straightforward manner with candor and kindness will get you far, no matter where you work.” —Booklist (starred review)  
 “The author's friendly, warm, no-nonsense writing is a pleasure to read, and her advice can be widely applied to relationships in all areas of readers' lives. Ideal for anyone new to the job market or new to management, or anyone hoping to improve their work experience.” —Library Journal (starred review)  
 “I am a huge fan of Alison Green's *Ask a Manager* column. This book is even better. It teaches us how to deal with many of the most vexing big and little problems in our workplaces—and to do so with grace, confidence, and a sense of humor.” —Robert Sutton, Stanford professor and author of *The No Asshole Rule* and *The Asshole Survival Guide*  
 “*Ask a Manager* is the ultimate playbook for navigating the traditional

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workforce in a diplomatic but firm way. " —Erin Lowry, author of *Broke Millennial: Stop Scraping By and Get Your Financial Life Together*

Year Book, Trotting and Pacing

Perfection Learning Fans of Cassandra Clare's *Mortal Instruments* series will be drawn to Wendy Higgins's sexy, thrilling *Sweet Evil* series. What if there were teens whose lives literally depended on being bad influences? This is the reality for sons and daughters of fallen angels. Tenderhearted Southern girl Anna Whitt was born with the sixth sense to see and feel emotions of other people. She's aware of a struggle within herself, an inexplicable pull toward danger, but Anna, the ultimate good girl, has always had the advantage of her angel side to balance the darkness within. It isn't until she turns sixteen and meets the alluring Kaidan Rowe that she discovers her terrifying heritage and her willpower is put to the test. He's the boy your daddy warned you about. If only someone had warned Anna. Forced to face her destiny, will Anna embrace

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her halo or her  
horns?

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Soon to be a DreamWorks  
movie, coming to theaters  
9/27/24! Includes 8 pages of  
full color stills from the  
movie! Wall-E meets Hatchet  
in this #1 New York Times  
bestselling illustrated middle  
grade novel from Caldecott  
Honor winner Peter Brown  
Can a robot survive in the  
wilderness? When robot Roz  
opens her eyes for the first  
time, she discovers that she is  
all alone on a remote, wild  
island. She has no idea how  
she got there or what her  
purpose is--but she knows  
she needs to survive. After  
battling a violent storm and  
escaping a vicious bear attack,  
she realizes that her only  
hope for survival is to adapt

to her surroundings and learn  
from the island's  
unwelcoming animal  
inhabitants. As Roz slowly  
befriends the animals, the  
island starts to feel like  
home--until, one day, the  
robot's mysterious past comes  
back to haunt her. From  
bestselling and award-winning  
author and illustrator Peter  
Brown comes a heartwarming  
and action-packed novel  
about what happens when  
nature and technology  
collide.

The Mark Simon and  
Schuster

In its 114th year, Billboard  
remains the world's premier  
weekly music publication  
and a diverse digital,  
events, brand, content and  
data licensing platform.  
Billboard publishes the  
most trusted charts and  
offers unrivaled reporting  
about the latest music,  
video, gaming, media,

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digital and mobile  
entertainment issues and  
trends.

The Lucky List Yale University  
Press

From the #1 New York Times bestselling co-author of *Five Feet Apart* comes a gripping new romance, perfect for fans of *The Perks of Being a Wallflower* and *Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda*. Two girls, one list and twelve chances to fall in love this summer . . . Emily's always been lucky. Well, technically her mum was the lucky one, and since she died, Emily's started to feel like her luck's run out. So when Emily finds her mum's senior-year bucket list, she finds twelve ways to feel close to her again. But if she wants to check everything off, she'll need help – help in the form of Blake. As Blake and Emily work through the list, the girls' bond deepens. Emily is starting to feel lucky again, but she's faced with the question: can she accept this new part of herself, the part her mum never even knew existed? A captivating, heartfelt love story

about learning who you are, and who you love, when the person you've always shared yourself with is gone.

*Chasing Darkness* Simon  
and Schuster

A witty, insightful, and affectionate examination of how and why we spend billions on our pets, and what this tells us about ourselves In 2003, Michael Schaffer and his wife drove to a rural shelter and adopted an emaciated, dreadlocked Saint Bernard who they named Murphy. They vowed that they'd never become the kind of people who send dogs named Baxter and Sonoma out to get facials, or shell out for \$12,000 hip replacements. But then they started to get weird looks from the in-laws: You hired a trainer? Your vet prescribed antidepressants?

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So Schaffer started poking around and before long happened on an astonishing statistic: the pet industry, estimated at \$43 billion this year, was just \$17 billion barely a decade earlier. One Nation Under Dog is about America's pet obsession—the explosion, over the past generation, of an industry full of pet masseuses, professional dog-walkers, organic kibble, leash-law militants, luxury pet spas, veterinary grief counselors, upscale dog shampoos, and the like: a booming economy that is evidence of tremendous and rapid change in the status of America's pets. Schaffer provides a surprising and lively portrait of our country—as how we treat our pets reflects evolving ideas about domesticity, consumerism, politics, and

family—through this fabulously reported and sympathetic look at both us and our dogs.

**Bending the Rules** Ballantine Books

Nobody has been more important in telling Americans why we should love film than Roger Ebert. --Michael Shamberg, Editor and Publisher Pulitzer Prize-winning film critic Roger Ebert presents more than 650 full-length critical movie reviews, along with interviews, essays, tributes, film festival reports, and Q and As from Questions for the Movie Answer Man. Roger Ebert's Movie Yearbook 2009 collects more than two years' worth of his engaging film critiques. From Bee Movie to Darfur Now to No Country for Old Men, and from Juno to Persepolis to La Vie en Rose, Roger Ebert's Movie Yearbook 2009 includes every review Ebert has written from

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January 2006 to June 2008.

Also included in the Yearbook, which boasts 65 percent new content, are: \* Interviews with newsmakers, such as Juno director Jason Reitman and Jerry Seinfeld, a touching tribute to Deborah Kerr, and an emotional letter of appreciation to Werner Herzog. \* Essays on film issues, and tributes to actors and directors who died during the year. \* Daily film festival reports from Cannes, Toronto, Sundance, and Telluride. \* All-new questions and answers from his Questions for the Movie Answer Man columns.

**Take Me to Your Reader: an Otherworld Anthology** Harper Collins

*Is It Worth It* is a Christian teen fiction novel detailing a brief section of an 8th grade student in public school named Mickey Cooler. Popular with many friends and a girlfriend, he is questioning the meaning of his life. Does being popular mean you have to give up being

yourself in order to please others?

He finds few answers to his questions from his friends that satisfy his questioning mind. Still not sure of what to do an accident and strange turn of events is going to test Mick, and the way he views people and his lifestyle. He is left now with time to consider his life, his questions and fears rise to the surface. After an old friend returns into his life to tell Mickey his life story, which earlier Mike had tried to hide in order to fit in. He is left to decide one of the most important questions in anyone's life. What will he decide?

**The Miniature Wife** MIRA  
READY FOR MORE  
MONEY THAN YOU  
KNOW WHAT TO DO

WITH? For too long, the subject of money has been shrouded in fear, secrecy, and anxiety. It's time to look behind the curtain at money, while stepping into the empowered financial reality that is available to you.

Reading *Rich As F\*ck* is sure

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to ignite an avalanche of change in the most important areas of your life. Once you finally see money for what it is and realize your power over your finances, life will never be the same. It's time you know the truth about money. It's time for you to have more money than you know what to do with. This is your blueprint. Whether you experience debilitating anxiety when thinking about your bills, are buried by debt, feel guilty for wanting more than you have, are stuck in a feast-or-famine cycle, if money has always been the problem for you and never a solution, or if you are simply seeking the next steps on your path of financial growth, this revolutionary book holds your answers. In *Rich As F\*ck*, Amanda Frances demystifies the topic of money, cracking the code of financial liberation and abundance. Her magnetic words will open your heart and mind and help you see the truth about how money actually works.

**The Wild Robot** Dog Ear Publishing

Since she was fourteen, singer Sophie James has been an international superstar. With her career (and life) directed by her manager, Ray, she hasn't had to worry about a thing for more than a decade...not where she goes, not what she sings, not who she is. But when Ray has a heart attack, Sophie is left without the only real father figure she's ever known and questioning everything she believes about what's important to her. Enter Dana Landon, the new manager sent by Sophie's record company. Dana is gorgeous, sophisticated, and ready to do her job keeping Sophie's career on track and making the record company money. Dana captures Sophie's attention in ways Sophie never expected



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and isn't ready for, but after so many years of being told what to do, Sophie's ready to shake things up with some ideas of her own. Ones Dana hasn't been planning on and isn't at all sure she likes.

*Punching Bag* Andrews  
McMeel Publishing

Jason Priestley, star of the iconic hit television series *Beverly Hills, 90210* and one of the biggest teen idols of the 1990s, chronicles the highs and lows of his life and career in this charming and honest memoir. The hit Fox show *Beverly Hills, 90210* became a cultural touchstone of the 1990s and propelled its young cast to mega-stardom, including Jason Priestley, who played honorable Midwestern transplant Brandon Walsh. Yet despite more than twenty years in and out of the limelight, Priestley has

carefully maintained his privacy. In this compelling memoir, the actor, director, and race-car aficionado invites us into his private world for the first time. With humor, sincerity, and charm, Priestley offers little-known details about his life and stories of his nine years in America's most famous zip code. He talks candidly about celebrity, marriage, fatherhood, and his passion for car racing. He does not shy away from the devastating lows—his brief jail sentence for drunk driving and the crash at the Kentucky Speedway that nearly took his life. Priestley shares his innermost thoughts about life as a '90s icon, and goes beyond the Brandon Walsh squeaky-clean image, revealing the tumultuous events that have shaped him, and where he

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finds his greatest happiness today.

*Never Forget* Createspace  
Independent Publishing  
Platform

Surveys the online social habits of American teens and analyzes the role technology and social media plays in their lives, examining common misconceptions about such topics as identity, privacy, danger, and bullying.

Roger Ebert's Movie  
Yearbook 2009 Myriad  
Editions (US&CA)

A graphic novel based on the true story of Robert Yummy Sandifer, an 11-year old African American gang member from Chicago who shot a young girl and was then shot by his own gang members.

Fear of Falling Createspace  
Independent Publishing  
Platform

"A teen obsessed with 19th century literature tries to cull

advice on life and love from her favorite classic heroines to disastrous results--especially when she falls for the school's resident lothario"--

**After the Rain** Simon and Schuster

A groundbreaking look at marriage, one of the most basic and universal of all human institutions, which reveals the emotional, physical, economic, and sexual benefits that marriage brings to individuals and society as a whole. The Case for Marriage is a critically important intervention in the national debate about the future of family. Based on the authoritative research of family sociologist Linda J. Waite, journalist Maggie Gallagher, and a number of other scholars, this book's findings dramatically contradict the anti-marriage

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myths that have become the common sense of most Americans. Today a broad consensus holds that marriage is a bad deal for women, that divorce is better for children when parents are unhappy, and that marriage is essentially a private choice, not a public institution. Waite and Gallagher flatly contradict these assumptions, arguing instead that by a broad range of indices, marriage is actually better for you than being single or divorced—physically, materially, and spiritually. They contend that married people live longer, have better health, earn more money, accumulate more wealth, feel more fulfillment in their lives, enjoy more satisfying sexual relationships, and have happier and more successful children than those who remain single, cohabit, or get divorced. The Case for Marriage combines clearheaded analysis, penetrating cultural criticism, and practical advice for strengthening the institution of marriage, and provides clear, essential guidelines for reestablishing marriage as the foundation for a healthy and happy society. “A compelling defense of a sacred union. The Case for Marriage is well written and well argued, empirically rigorous and learned, practical and commonsensical.” -- William J. Bennett, author of The Book of Virtues “Makes the absolutely critical point that marriage has been misrepresented and misunderstood.” -- The Wall Street Journal  
[www.broadwaybooks.com](http://www.broadwaybooks.com)  
Billboard Simon and Schuster

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From the USA TODAY bestselling author of *Sweet Thing* and *Nowhere But Here* comes a deeply emotional contemporary romance about the second chances waiting beyond the shattered dreams of youth. When eighteen-year-old Avelina Belo meets a charismatic cowboy the summer before her senior year of high school, she doesn't know that accepting his invitation to dinner will lead to a whirlwind marriage three months later and an exciting new life on a Montana ranch. She also doesn't know that, in a few short years, fate will send everything crashing down around her. A thousand miles away and fresh out of medical school, Nate Meyers is poised to become UCLA's next superstar heart surgeon. His laser focus is the key to his success, but it's also his greatest liability. When a routine surgery ends in disaster, derailing his career, he's confronted with the hard truth: there's no one waiting for him at home, no one to help him pick up the pieces. Regrouping on his uncle's Montana ranch, Nate meets Avelina, a beautiful but

mysterious young woman who keeps to herself and barely speaks a word. As he discovers the details of her devastating past, Avelina teaches him more about matters of the heart than he ever knew before. But can they trust each other enough to put everything on the line?

### CMJ New Music Report

Henry Holt and Company

In the third installment of Haddix's series about a futuristic society in which families are forbidden to have more than two children, Nina, a secondary character in *Among the Impostors*, is falsely accused of treason and imprisoned by the Population Police. Her interrogator gives her an ultimatum: either she can get three other child prisoners, illegal third-borns like Nina, to reveal who harbored them and where they got their fake identification cards, or she

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will be executed. Nina sees a chance to escape the prison and, taking the prisoners with her, quickly discovers their street smarts. But when their food supply runs out, Nina seeks the boy she knew as Lee.

*Harness Horse* Penguin

The first in the DC Nina Foster series, this fast-paced crime debut by police insider Lisa Cutts takes us to the heart of the Major Incident Room and introduces a gutsy new heroine to the crime scene. Following a frenzied stabbing, DC Nina Foster is drafted into her first murder investigation. With DCI Stan McGuire as her mentor and John ("Wingsy") Wing as her partner, she thrives on the pace and banter that go with the job. As the body count increases and the force's biggest-ever manhunt gets underway, Nina is determined to find the murderer. But when the story of her own traumatic childhood comes to light—a past she's worked hard to hide—her job, her peace of mind,

and her safety are all in danger. Argo Bold Strokes Books Inc You've read the myth of the Golden Fleece. Now find out how it really was for Jason and the Argonauts in this gripping reimagining of the famous Ancient Greek tale, and first book in the breathtaking Blades of Bronze series. Perfect for fans of Madeline Miller, Neil Gaiman and Natalie Haynes. He has come to take what is yours... Iolkos, Greece, 1230 BC. King Pelias has grown paranoid, tormented by his murderous past and a prophecy of the man who will one day destroy him. When a stranger arrives to compete in the Games of Poseidon, Pelias is horrified, for this young man should never have grown to manhood. He is Jason, Pelias' nephew, who survived his uncle's assassins as a child. Now Jason wants his revenge – and the kingdom. But Pelias is cunning as well as powerful. He gives Jason an impossible challenge: to claim the throne, he must first steal the fabled Golden Fleece of Colchis. Jason assembles a band of Greece's finest warriors. They

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are the Argonauts, named for their sandals epics to accomplish trusty ship. But even with these mighty allies, Jason will have to overcome the brutal challenges hurled his way. His mission and many lives depend on his wits – and his sword. PRAISE FOR THE BLADES OF BRONZE SERIES AND MARK KNOWLES 'A bold and thrilling voyage that plunges you deep into the world of ancient myth' Daisy Dunn 'Mark Knowles has taken the legend of Jason and the Golden Fleece, and stripped it down to its bare bones... A deeply researched historical epic, so brilliantly brought to life I could taste the salt air on my tongue... Epic battles, well-rounded characters sailing through a brilliantly described world' Adam Lofthouse 'What a spectacular triumph! Knowles has taken a reassuringly familiar legend and elevated it into a new, realistic and engrossing story' Sam Taw 'Knowles has combined historical realities with sure-footed imagination... brilliant' Dr Paul Millett '[Knowles] has teamed his love of learning classics and childhood love of sword-and-

something remarkable' Boarding Schools' Association  
**Love, Lucas** Crown  
Jason Grant doesn't have much, aside from a beat-up old guitar and knack for getting kicked out of foster homes. His latest placement is set to be just another in a long line of failures. Then he meets Caesar Hubbard, a handsome guy who lives down the hall. For the first time in his life, Jason wants to stay, which means learning to be part of a family, and not letting his feelings--or his actions--ruin his first real chance of falling in love.