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How to Change a Life Penguin

“ Five Stars! The tale immediately drew me in, into the town, into the intriguing mystery, and into the people. A real treat to read.” ~Deb, Amazon Hall of Fame Top 100 Reviewer Laurel Falls, N.C., 1985: My life was saved by a murder. At the time, of course, I

didn ’ t understand that. I just knew I was having the best year of my life. Given all the terrible things that happened, I should be ashamed to say it, but that year was a blessing for me. It all started with a wave. Della Kincaid and her dog, Jake, driving by, staring at the For Sale sign in front of Daddy ’ s store. Before long, she ’ d bought it. She explained she was done with being a crime reporter in Washington, D.C., tired of all the violence. So she packed up and moved to our small town of Laurel Falls, N.C. She told everybody it looked like heaven to her—ancient mountains brimming with tall trees and songbirds, peace and quiet. Until she found the body. Our lazy old sheriff called it a suicide. No way. Della agreed. So we teamed up with Kincaid and her dog, Jake, and traipsed all over the mountains of North Carolina to find what did happen. Along the way, we sure met some interesting characters—both good and bad. We made a plan, and we worked it hard to find that killer before we became the next victims. ~Abit Bradshaw
“ TERRIFIC SERIES! The

characters are awesome. I can't stop reading. I don't want these books to end! You'll enjoy this suspenseful story because who doesn't dream of second chances? If you love Elly Griffiths, Sue Grafton, and Cheryl Bradshaw (no relation to Abit Bradshaw that we know of), you're sure to enjoy the Appalachian Mountain Mysteries series. Get it now—for the rich natural setting, colorful characters, and suspenseful investigations. A Life for a Life is the first novel in the Appalachian Mountain Mysteries series by award-winning author Lynda McDaniel.

Interview with Lynda McDaniel Q: What makes the Appalachian Mountain Mysteries Series so special? A: In addition to the suspense of a good mystery, each book includes people and stories from the years I spent on my "back to the land" farm in Appalachia. You'll meet a cantankerous laundromat owner who was just as weird as she's portrayed, a gentle giant of a beekeeper with an abiding love for his family, and Cleve Hall, who's based on a woman who taught me how to put food by.

But especially Abit Bradshaw, one of the amateur sleuths along with Della Kincaid, a former journalist. Abit started in a supporting role, but I listened to my readers and gave him a starring role in the rest of the series. This book and the next two—The Roads to Damascus and Welcome the Little Children—are coming-of-age stories for Abit. Q: Why should readers give these books a try? A: Readers who prefer suspense without over-the-top violence will enjoy this series. I write in the British style, where the dastardly deed is done off stage; (similar in that way to cozy mysteries). I don't like mounting body bags, but I do enjoy the chase for justice. In addition to the crimes, readers will find vivid mountain settings, colorful characters, sharp wit, good food, and a touch of romance. Q: In what order were the books written? A Life for a Life The Roads to Damascus Welcome the Little Children Murder Ballad Blues Deep in the Forest Up the Creek Unwrapped After Dusk Waiting for You (free prequel) What readers are saying:

"EXCELLENT. EXCELLENT. EXCELLENT. Lynda McDaniel has the gift of putting the reader right there in her stories with characters that grab ahold of your heart strings and take you into their world page after page." ~L. Judd "REMINDS ME OF To Kill a Mockingbird. You are a treasure of a writer." ~J. M. Grayson "THIS WAS MY FIRST BOOK BY LYNDA McDANIEL, WON'T BE MY LAST. Love a book that can hold my interest to the point I don't want it to end." ~M. Ballard "McDANIEL DELIVERS A PAIR OF UNFORGETTABLE CRIME-SOLVING CHARACTERS. She lured me into her story and kept me there." ~Virginia McCullough, award-winning author of Amber Light. Cultural Fusion Quilts James Lorimer & Company This is a story about love, but not the kind of love you think. You'll see... In the lush and magical Pacific Northwest live two best friends who grew up like sisters: charismatic, mercurial, and beautiful Aurora, and the devoted, watchful narrator. Each of them is incomplete without the other. But their unbreakable bond is challenged when a

mysterious and gifted musician named Jack comes between them. His music is like nothing I have ever heard. It is like the ocean surging, the wind that blows across the open water, the far call of gulls. Suddenly, each girl must decide what matters most: friendship, or love. What both girls don't know is that the stakes are even higher than either of them could have imagined. They're not the only ones who have noticed Jack's gift; his music has awakened an ancient evil—and a world both above and below which may not be mythical at all. We have paved over the ancient world but that does not mean we have erased it. The real and the mystical; the romantic and the heartbreaking all begin to swirl together in *All Our Pretty Songs*, Sarah McCarry's brilliant debut, carrying the two on journey that is both enthralling and terrifying. And it's up to the narrator to protect the people she loves—if she can.

A Life for a Life

Penguin

'One of the greatest storytellers of our time' - Delia Owens, bestselling author of *Where the Crawdads Sing* From the number one bestselling author of *The Women*, in Kristin Hannah's

Night Road, the consequence of one terrible night changes a group of young people's lives forever. 'There was a beauty in chaos, a wildness that hinted at things gone wrong and mistakes overcome' Lexi and Mia are inseparable from the moment they start high school. Though different in so many ways - Lexi is an orphan and lives with her aunt on a trailer park, while Mia is a golden girl blessed with a loving family and a beautiful home - they nonetheless recognize something in each other, and Mia comes to rely heavily on Lexi's steadfast friendship. The summer they graduate is a time they'll never forget; a summer of love, best friends and shared confidences. But then one night changes them

forever. As hearts are broken, loyalties challenged and hopes dashed, the time has come to leave childhood behind and learn to face a new future . . . Praise for Kristin Hannah: 'Utterly absorbing . . . A triumph' - Taylor Jenkins Reid, bestselling author of *Daisy Jones & The Six* 'Stuns with sacrifice. Uplifts with heroism' - Bonnie Garmus, bestselling author of *Lessons in Chemistry* 'Moving and unforgettable' - Christy Lefteri, bestselling author of *The Beekeeper of Aleppo* 'A classic storyteller' - Matt Haig, bestselling author of *The Midnight Library* **The Summer My Life Began** Hachette UK High-spirited Rowena MacLawry returns to the Highlands from her London Season a more mature woman, yet she still finds it difficult to outgrow her girlhood obsession with

Lachlan MacTier, despite his lack of polish.

Built by Wendy Coats and Jackets Pan Macmillan

This biography is a record of 50's America, with a cast of characters and a variety of scenes, filled with writers, painters, actors. It is the intimate story of Norman Mailer in search of himself and the woman who was with him every step of the way.

All the Pretty Things

Three Rivers Press

A dare between friends leads to startling revelations and simmering tensions in the latest novel from the author of *Wedding Girl*. Eloise is happy with her life as a successful private chef. She has her clients, her corgi, and a recipe for the world's most perfect chocolate cream pie. What more could she need? But when her long-lost trio of high school friends reunites, Eloise realizes how lonely she really is. Eloise, Lynne, and Teresa revamp their senior-class assignment and dare one another to create a list of things to accomplish by the time they each turn forty in a few months. Control freak Lynne has to get a dog, Teresa has to spice up

her marriage, and Eloise has to start dating again. Enter Shawn, a hunky ex-athlete and the first man Eloise could see herself falling for. Suddenly forty doesn't seem so lonely—until a chance encounter threatens the budding romance and reveals the true colors of her friends. Will the bucket listers make it to forty still speaking to one another? Or do some friendships come with an expiration date? **Readers Guide and Recipes Included**
All That Man Is Macmillan + ORM

For crafters “looking for patterns based on ethnic designs, modern quilters who love blocks with asymmetry and anyone who loves bright, exciting quilts!” (*Sleeping Dog Quilts*) Bold, vibrant, striking—and amazingly easy to make! This collection of 15 modern quilts draws on handmade crafts from India, the American South, and Africa to create a style that's at once traditional and contemporary, artistic and practical. A simple stack, cut, shuffle, and stitch technique makes the sewing fun for quilters of any level, and also makes every quilt a one-of-a-kind creation. No two are ever alike! The author provides alternate

settings, plus an inspiring photo gallery of the crafts that shaped her style. Use these projects to enrich your quilting by bringing in textures, patterns, and colors from around the world. “An inspired designer . . . The 15 free form block projects featured in this book are a celebration of this ‘melting pot,’ and brim with ideas. The book is accompanied, refreshingly, with photographs illustrating some of the inspirations and stories behind the projects, and it's a pleasure to see how Sujata has translated them into works of quilted excellence.” —Popular Patchwork “A graphic designer and quilter, she finds inspiration all over the world—in the quilts from Gee's Bend, the Indian godharis and the bold, colorful fabrics from Africa . . . A colorful and inspiring book. Highly recommended!” —Down Under Quilts Magazine “Sujata Shah takes a different look at traditional blocks and adds her interpretation with 15 simple and fun free-form block projects.” —McCall's Quick Quilt

Swell McClelland & Stewart

An innocent woman... Emmaline Marlow is about to wed the extremely powerful laird of the

Hepburn clan to save her father from debtor's prison when ruffian Jamie Sinclair bursts into the abbey on a magnificent black horse and abducts her in one strong swoop. Though he is Hepburn's sworn enemy, Emma's mysterious captor is everything her bridegroom is not—handsome, virile, dangerous...and a perilous temptation for her yearning heart. A dangerous man... Jamie expects Emma to be some milksop English miss, not a fiery, defiant beauty whose irresistible charms will tempt him at every turn. But he cannot allow either one of them to forget he is her enemy and she his pawn in the deadly Highland feud between the clans. Stealing his enemy's bride was simple, but can he claim her innocence without losing his heart? Book 1 of 5 of the Brides of the Highlands Series (Can be read in any order) The Brides of the Highlands Series includes *The Devil Wears Plaid*, *Heather and Velvet*, *A Whisper of Roses*, *Some Like It Wicked* and *Some Like It Wild* “A sinfully sexy hero, a strong-willed intelligent heroine and an engaging plot richly imbued with danger and desire all come together brilliantly.”—Chicago Tribune “Vividly three-dimensional characters and a plot full of tasty twists, tear-inducing scenes and laugh-out-loud dialogue. Medeiros is a superb storyteller!”—Booklist Starred Review “Funny, gently poignant historical with wit, sizzle and twists that turn expectations on their head. A delightful diversion!”—Library Journal “From the first page to the last, Medeiros holds you enthralled with an enchanting plot, charismatic characters and strong sensuality. Another deep-sigh keeper from a master!”—Romantic Times “Charming, quick-paced and clever with an appealing, self-reliant heroine.”—Publishers Weekly ENGLISH LANGUAGE EDITION Scottish romance, Highland romance, Regency romance, Bride romance, Captive romance *Pretty in Plaid* Penguin At long last, Sarah Britton, called the “queen bee of the health blogs” by Bon Appétit, reveals 100 gorgeous, all-new plant-based recipes in her debut cookbook, inspired by her wildly popular blog. Every month, half a million readers—vegetarians, vegans, paleo followers, and gluten-free gourmets alike—flock to Sarah’s adaptable and accessible recipes that make powerfully healthy ingredients simply irresistible. My New Roots is the ultimate guide to revitalizing one’s health and palate, one delicious recipe at a time: no fad diets or gimmicks here. Whether readers are newcomers to natural foods or are already devotees, they will discover how easy it is to eat healthfully and happily when whole foods and plants are at the center of every plate. **The Last Party** Macmillan Watch a video The fiction debut of the New York Times bestselling author of *My Fair Lazy*. Told in the uproariously entertaining voice readers have come to expect from Jen Lancaster, *If You Were Here* follows Amish-zombie-teen-romance author Mia and her husband Mac (and their pets) through the alternately frustrating, exciting, terrifying-but always funny-process of buying and renovating their first home in the Chicago suburbs that John Hughes's movies made

famous. Along their harrowing renovation journey, Mia and Mac get caught up in various wars with the homeowners' association, meet some less-than-friendly neighbors, and are joined by a hilarious cast of supporting characters, including a celeb-butard ex-landlady. As they struggle to adapt to their new surroundings- with Mac taking on the renovations himself- Mia and Mac will discover if their marriage is strong enough to survive months of DIY renovations. *I Regret Nothing* Tyndale House Publishers, Inc. There are no easy answers for girls growing up in a world where being pretty means being thin. **Night Road** Penguin A 7-time Teen Choice Award Winner on Freeform's most-watched series, *Pretty Little Liars* ... A social media influencer with over 7 million followers ... An avid birdwatcher? Yes, you read that correctly. Ian Harding is all of these things, and so much more. In this memoir, explore the unexpected world of a young celebrity through the lens of his favorite pastime — birding. *Odd Birds* is more than just a Hollywood memoir

or tell-all. At its heart, this book is a coming-of-age story in which Ian wrestles with an ever evolving question— how can he still be himself, while also being a celebrity. Each humorous and heartfelt story features a particular bird—sometimes literal, at other times figurative. Using this framework, Ian explores a variety of topics, including growing up, life as a television actor and nature lover, and whether it is better to shave or wax one's chest for an on-screen love scene. A funny and heartwarming window into Ian's life, *Odd Birds* is a must-read for fans of nature writing and memoir alike. *If You Were Here* Hardie Grant Publishing New York Times bestselling author Jen Lancaster takes you from sorority house to penthouse to poorhouse in her hilarious memoir of living the sweet life—until real life kicked her to the curb. She had the perfect man, the perfect job—hell, she had the perfect life—and there was no reason to think it wouldn't last. Or maybe there was, but Jen Lancaster was too busy being manicured, pedicured, highlighted, and generally

adored to notice. This is the smart-mouthed, soul-searching story of a woman trying to figure out what happens next when she's gone from six figures to unemployment checks and she stops to reconsider some of the less-than-rosy attitudes and values she thought she'd never have to answer for when times were good. Filled with caustic wit and unusual insight, it's a rollicking read as speedy and unpredictable as the trajectory of a burst balloon. **That Time of Year** Clean Reads Shortlisted for the 2016 Man Booker Prize A brilliantly observed, large-hearted work of fiction that introduces to a North American audience a major and mature literary talent. For readers of David Bezmozgis, Nathan Englander, Neil Smith, John Cheever, and Milan Kundera. Nine men. Each of them at a different stage of life, each of them away from home, and each of them striving – in the suburbs of Prague, beside a Belgian motorway, in a cheap Cypriot hotel – to understand just what it means to be alive, here and now. Tracing an arc from the spring of youth to

the winter of old age, *All That Man Is* brings these separate lives together to show us men as they are – ludicrous and inarticulate, shocking and despicable; vital, pitiable, hilarious, and full of heartfelt longing. And as the years chase them down, the stakes become bewilderingly high in this piercing portrayal of twenty-first-century manhood.

Pretty Bones Diversion Books
With her debut novel, *If You Were Here*, Jen Lancaster “[leapt] into the fiction arena with her rapier-sharp wit in one hand and a fistful of Home Depot gift cards in the other” (New York Times bestselling author Joshilyn Jackson). Now she goes from the trauma of home renovation to the drama of soul renovation in *Here I Go Again....* Twenty years after ruling the halls of her suburban Chicago high school, Lissy Ryder doesn’t understand why her glory days ended. Back then, she was worshipped...beloved...feared. Present day, not so much. She’s been pink-slipped from her high-paying job, dumped by her husband, and kicked out of her condo. Now, at thirty-seven, she’s struggling to start a business from her parents’ garage and sleeping under the hair-band posters in her old bedroom. Lissy finally realizes karma is the only bitch bigger than she was. Her present is miserable because

of her past. But it’s not like she can go back in time and change who she was...or can she?

My Fair Lazy Penguin Group
"Coming-of-age never looked so beautiful." - Kirkus (Starred Review) "[A] powerful story of growth and change, brimming with honesty and hope." - Publishers Weekly "Students who might not yet be ready for Angie Thomas’s *The Hate U Give* will find an equally compelling narrator and story in *Pretty*." - VOYA Reviews
Sophie's perspective on what being pretty really means changes drastically in the second adjective-busting novel by the author of *Husky*, Justin Sayre. Sayre details the private and public life of a thirteen-year-old burdened with far more than the middle-school adjective of *Pretty*. Though she appears confident, stylish, and easygoing at school, Sophie lives a nightmare at home. When her mother's alcohol addiction spirals out of control, Sophie's Auntie Amara steps in to help. She teaches Sophie new lessons about her family and heritage, while also challenging her to rethink how she feels about friends, boys, and even her sense of place in the Brooklyn neighborhood where she lives. Sayre, a master storyteller in the coming-of-age genre, asks readers to confront superficial assumptions about gender and beauty, and breathes new life into the canon of middle-grade realistic fiction.

[Bridegroom Wore Plaid](#)

Simon and Schuster
Jen Lancaster hates to burst your happy little bubble, but life in the big city isn't all it's cracked up to be. Contrary to what you see on TV and in the movies, most urbanites aren't party-hopping in slinky dresses and strappy stilettos. But lucky for us, Lancaster knows how to make the life of the lower crust mercilessly funny and infinitely entertaining. Whether she's reporting rude neighbors to Homeland Security, harboring a crush on her grocery store clerk, or fighting-and losing-the Battle of the Stairmaster- Lancaster explores how silly, strange, and not-so-fabulous real city living can be. And if anyone doesn't like it, they can kiss her big, fat, pink, puffy down parka.

[Odd Birds](#) Penguin
New love spirals into lethal danger for two girls in this expertly plotted YA thriller.
Life's Little Instruction Book Amber House Books

An "extraordinary" debut memoir of first love, identity, and self-discovery among a group of friends who became

family in a Montauk summer house (Andrew Solomon, National Book Award winner). They call Montauk the end of the world, a spit of land jutting into the Atlantic. The house was a ramshackle split-level set on a hill, and each summer thirty-one people would sleep between its thin walls and shag carpets. Against the moonlight the house's octagonal roof resembled a bee's nest. It was dubbed The Hive. In 2013, John Glynn joined the share house. Packing his duffel for that first Memorial Day Weekend, he prayed for clarity. At twenty-seven, he was crippled by an all-encompassing loneliness, a feeling he had carried in his heart for as long as he could remember. John didn't understand the loneliness. He just knew it was there. Like the moon gone dark. Out East is the portrait of a summer, of The Hive and the people who lived in it, and John's own reckoning with a half-formed sense of self. From Memorial Day to Labor Day, The Hive was a center of gravity, a port of call, a home. Friendships, conflicts, secrets and

epiphanies blossomed within this tightly woven friend group and came to define how they would live out the rest of their twenties and beyond. Blending the sand-strewn milieu of George Howe Colt's *The Big House* with the radiant aching of Olivia Liang's *The Lonely City*, *Out East* is a keenly wrought story of love and transformation, longing and escape in our own contemporary moment. "An unforgettable story told with feeling and humor and above all with the razor-sharp skill of a delicate and highly gifted writer." -- André Aciman, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Call Me by Your Name* "Out East is full of intimacy and hope and frustration and joy, an extraordinary tale of emotional awakening and lacerating ambivalence, a confession of self-doubt that becomes self-knowledge." -- Andrew Solomon, National Book Award winner *An* *Entertainment Weekly* Best Book of May 2019 *A* *Time* magazine Best Book of May 2019 *Cosmopolitan* Best Book of May 2019 *An* *O*, the *Oprah Magazine* Best LGBTQ Book of 2019

Little Stories of Your Life

Scholastic Inc.

The real key to always looking stylish is having just the right mix of coats and jackets. Wendy Mullin of *Built by Wendy* shows even new sewers that these multifunctional wardrobe pieces are not as daunting to make as they might seem. Stylish women know that coats and jackets can really pull an outfit together. They are some of the most important and lasting garments in a wardrobe. T-shirts and skirts come and go, but jackets and coats can be worn for years. Yet even for advanced sewers, they seem too intimidating to tackle at home. With her trademark wit and expertise, Wendy puts those fears to rest. In *Built by Wendy Coats and Jackets*, she offers the guidance and know-how needed to give any sewer the confidence to create 25 different outerwear options using the three enclosed patterns. She offers the tips and shortcuts that she has learned over the years, from choosing the right needles for various coat fabrics to the easiest way to sew a lining. From a faux-fur bolero jacket to throw-over jeans to a Chanel-like dinner jacket in boucle, the creative projects and styling suggestions will have

fashionistas rushing to their
sewing machines.