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## *The Wallflower* Del Rey

Sink your teeth into the cult classic vampire novella that inspired Bram Stoker's *Dracula*. Fear sweeps the countryside as people fall victim to a strange illness. After a peculiar accident, beautiful Mircalla becomes a ward at Laura's family home. Soon, friendship blooms between the mysterious Mircalla and curious Laura. Love is in the air, but so is something deadly. Will Mircalla's secret cost Laura her life? *Carmilla*, originally published in 1872, is one of the first vampire novels ever written, predating *Dracula* by twenty-six years. *Carmilla*, with its themes of vampirism and homosexuality, shocked the standards and stereotypes for women set in the Victorian era. Today, *Carmilla* is considered the original archetype of female and LGBTQ vampires, and Le Fanu's influence is seen throughout vampire fiction./

Book Review Index Bloomsbury Publishing USA

This collection started as a whisper, a quiet mouth asking questions. Over the years it became a coherent voice that kept getting louder. Now it is a song, sprung from a yearning to fill in the missing parts, to understand my mother's story. Perhaps it's something that goes beyond what is experiential and real and moves into memory and imagination. Perhaps it is a book of magic, of synchronicity and colliding moments in time, too strange to be logical, too concise to be chance. Ultimately, it's a way of shedding light, in order to change the direction of a past. Sometimes, I think it has been formed by my imagined daughter, clearing the way ahead before her own birth. Or by whole generations of women, celebrating a future, formed from the heart of us.

*Carmilla* Bloomsbury Publishing USA

A MATCH MADE IN HELL Four of Japan's

hottest guys are struggling (in elegant surroundings) with the biggest challenge of their lives . . . transforming the geeky goth, Sunako, into a delicate lady. When Sunako's auntie—and the guys's landlady—arrives unannounced, she finds Sunako enjoying a slasher flick in the darkest recesses of her room. Clearly no progress has been made! So auntie decides there's only one way to turn her niece into a lady: Send Sunako and Kyohei on a little romantic getaway. Their accommodations for the evening consist of a vibrating bed, two-way mirrors, and a security guard who's blocking the only exit. Can Sunako survive a night alone with a creature of the light?

[The Return of the Bunny Suicides](#) National Geographic Books

"Highly recommended" by Choice While crossover books such as Rowling's Harry Potter series have enjoyed enormous sales and media attention, critical analysis of crossover fiction has not kept pace with the growing popularity of this new category of writing and reading. Falconer remedies this lack with close readings of six major British works of crossover fiction, and a wide-ranging analysis of the social and cultural implications of the global crossover phenomenon. A uniquely in-depth study of the crossover novel, Falconer engages with a groundbreaking range of sources, from primary texts, to child and adult reader responses, to cultural and critical theory.

## **New Blood in Contemporary**

**Cinema** Baen Publishing Enterprises

*Carmilla* is narrated by a young woman preyed upon by a female vampire named *Carmilla*, later revealed to be Mircalla, Countess Karnstein (*Carmilla* is an anagram of Mircalla). Le Fanu presents the story as part of the casebook of Dr. Hesselius, whose departures from medical orthodoxy rank him as the first occult doctor in literature. The story is often anthologized and has been adapted many times in film and other media. It is one of the earliest works of vampire fiction, predating Bram Stoker's *Dracula* (1897) by 26 years. Joseph Thomas Sheridan Le Fanu (1814–1873) was an

Irish writer of Gothic tales and mystery novels. He was a leading ghost-story writer of the nineteenth century and was central to the development of the genre in the Victorian era. M. R. James described Le Fanu as "absolutely in the first rank as a writer of ghost stories".

**Florence and Giles** Bantam  
*Return of the Bunny Suicides* follows over one hundred bunnies as they find ever more bizarre ways to end their fuzzy little existences. From swimming with nibbly fishes, to hiding under an elephant's footstool, to getting on the sharp end of a Venetian gondola—no stone goes unturned (or undropped, or uncatapulted) in the twisted little creatures' next installment. Illustrated in a spare and simple style, *Return of the Bunny Suicides* is a collection of hilarious and outrageous cartoons that will appeal to anyone in touch with their evil side.

www.bookofbunnysuicides.com  
*Myal* Bloomsbury Publishing USA

Six were taken. Eleven years later, five come back—with no idea of where they've been. A riveting mystery for fans of *We Were Liars*. Eleven years ago, six kindergartners went missing without a trace. After all that time, the people left behind moved on, or tried to. Until today. Today five of those kids return. They're sixteen, and they are . . . fine. Scarlett comes home and finds a mom she barely recognizes, and doesn't really recognize the person she's supposed to be, either. But she thinks she remembers Lucas. Lucas remembers Scarlett, too,

except they're entirely unable to recall where they've been or what happened to them. Neither of them remember the sixth victim, Max--the only one who hasn't come back. Which leaves Max's sister, Avery, wanting answers. She wants to find her brother--dead or alive--and isn't buying this whole memory-loss story. But as details of the disappearance begin to unfold, no one is prepared for the truth. This unforgettable novel--with its rich characters, high stakes, and plot twists--will leave readers breathless.

*Generals Die in Bed* Prima Lifestyles

Sarah Weaver, a jaded seventeen-year-old from a broken family, leaves California to attend an all-women's college in Massachusetts. At Wetherly, Sarah meets Maddy Snow and Agnes Pierce, a mysterious pair of legacy students who have been best friends since birth. When the girls accept her into their duo, loner Sarah finally has the family she's always wanted. But then she starts to notice some strange and disturbing things: Maddy's compulsive lying, Agnes's obsession with Maddy, and the deterioration of the girls' friendship. And just when Sarah begins to question her own sanity, shocking secrets come to light that will bring their friendship to a new level of destruction.

Key Stage 3 English

Anthology: Gothic Waveland Press

Tengo dieciséis años y estudio en un exclusivo internado americano, la Brangwyn School. Mi padre, un célebre poeta, se suicidó el año pasado, y mi madre no consigue salir adelante, así que paso mis días entre las paredes de esta prestigiosa escuela. Por suerte está conmigo Lucy, mi mejor amiga, con quien lo comparto todo, y

este año podremos descubrir juntas cosas nuevas y prohibidas. Pero desde que llegó Ernessa, una chica nueva, misteriosa y enigmática, mi mundo ha dado un vuelco. Lucy pasa más tiempo encerrada en la habitación de Ernessa que en ninguna otra parte, se inventa excusas para no estar conmigo y están sucediendo cosas extrañas. Empiezo a sospechar que la chica nueva no es quien dice ser? Estoy convencida de que Ernessa es en realidad un vampiro, y haré lo que haga falta para demostrarlo

*The Moth Diaries*

HarperCollins

Jamaican-born novelist and sociologist Erna Brodber describes Myal as "an exploration of the links between the way of life forged by the people of two points of the black diaspora--the Afro-Americans and the Afro-Jamaicans." Operating on many literary levels--thematically, linguistically, stylistically--it is the story of women's cultural and spiritual struggle in colonial Jamaica. The novel opens at the beginning of the 20th century with a community gathering to heal the mysterious illness of a young woman, Ella, who has returned to Jamaica after an unsuccessful marriage abroad. The Afro-Jamaican religion myal, which asserts that good has the power to conquer all, is invoked to heal Ella, who has been left "zombified" and devoid of any black soul. Ella, who is light skinned enough to pass for white, has suffered a breakdown after her white American husband produced a black-face minstrel show based on the stories of her village and childhood. This cultural appropriation is one of a series Ella encountered in her life, and parallels the ongoing theft of the labor

and culture of colonized peoples for imperial gain and pleasure. The novel's rich, vivid language and vital characters earned it the Commonwealth Writers' Prize for Canada and the Caribbean. The novel links nicely with Brodber's coming-of-age story, *Jane & Louisa Will Soon Come Home*, also from Waveland Press, for its similar images, themes, and specific Jamaican cultural references to colonialism, religion, slavery, gender, and identity. Both novels are Brodber's way of telling stories outside of published history to point out the whitewashing and distortion of black history through religion and colonialism. [Standard Catalog for Public Libraries](#) WordFire +ORM Inspire your teaching with Key Stage 3 English Anthology: Gothic, a themed anthology for Year 8. Featuring texts full of suspense, horror and gloom such as Frankenstein and Dracula, this anthology guides students through fiction, non-fiction and poetry encouraging them to connect with a variety of texts to gain a thorough understanding of the context and literary techniques underpinning each piece of work. Each extract is supported by Teaching and Learning Resources, including quizzes, lesson plans and PowerPoint slides to help you implement the content of the book. Each extract includes: - A context panel to provide key information to set the scene of each extract - Glossaries and annotations to help students work through each extract confidently - Look closer: key questions for students to consider as they work through the extracts - Now try this: writing and speaking activities to encourage students to get creative and actively engage with the text

- Fast finisher tasks to support students who race ahead - A practice question to familiarise students with the command words they will see at GCSE

#### Carmilla DigiCat

The Key to Unlocking Your Writing Success This ultimate writer's reference connects you to who's who in the publishing industry. Inside, you'll find the names, addresses, phone numbers, and e-mail and Web addresses for hundreds of top editors and agents, plus essays from industry insiders who reveal the secrets to big-time success. With the most up-to-date information on an industry that's constantly changing, this new edition offers everything you need to get past the slush piles and into the hands of the real players in the publishing field, including how to write attention-grabbing book proposals and thrive off rejection. Now, you hold the keys to getting published.

*The Michigan Alumnus* Edinburgh University Press

The media vampire has roots throughout the world, far beyond the shores of the usual Dracula-inspired Anglo-American archetypes. Depending on text and context, the vampire is a figure of anxiety and comfort, humor and fear, desire and revulsion. These dichotomies gesture the enduring prevalence of the vampire in mass culture; it can no longer articulate a single feeling or response, bound by time and geography, but is many things to many people. With a global perspective, this collection of essays offers something new and different: a much needed counter-narrative of the vampire's evolution in popular culture. Divided by geography, this text emphasizes the vampiric as a globetrotting citizen du monde rather than an isolated monster.

#### Fangs for the Mammaries

Cambridge University Press

Since the turn of the millennium, a growing number of female filmmakers have appropriated the aesthetics of horror for their films. In this book, Patricia Pisters

investigates contemporary women directors such as Ngozi Onwurah, Claire Denis, Lucile Hadzihalilovic and Ana Lily Amirpour, who put 'a poetics of horror' to new use in their work, expanding the range of gendered and racialised perspectives in the horror genre. Exploring themes such as rage, trauma, sexuality, family ties and politics, *New Blood in Contemporary Cinema* takes on avenging women, bloody vampires, lustful witches, scary mothers, terrifying offspring and female Frankensteins. By following a red trail of blood, the book illuminates a new generation of women directors who have enlarged the general scope and stretched the emotional spectrum of the genre.

#### Diario de una mariposa nocturna HarperCollins UK

This Companion explores the Gothic across literature, film, television, and cyberspace, revealing how it has proliferated since 1900 as an expression of modernity. Essays examine the role of Gothic in major struggles of modern life over sex and gender, the intermixing of different cultures, and the very nature of modernity.

*Contemporary Gothic* McFarland Charles Yale Harrison draws on his own experiences in the First World War to tell the story of a young man sent to fight on the Western Front.

#### **The Cambridge Companion to the Modern Gothic** Routledge

Covering such genres as fantasy, horror, chick lit, graphic novels, sci-fi, and mystery, an all-encompassing, must-have resource profiles more than 700 of the best books for teens, from the classics to the latest bestsellers. Simultaneous.

*The Ultimate Teen Book Guide* Grupo Planeta (GBS)

Modern Gothic culture alternately fascinates, horrifies, or bewilders many of us. We cringe at pictures of Marilyn Manson, cheer for Buffy in *Buffy the Vampire Slayer*,

and try not to stare at the pierced and tattooed teens we pass on the streets. But what is it about this dark and morbidly morose aesthetic that fascinates us today? In *Contemporary Gothic*, Catherine Spooner probes the reasons behind the prevalence of the Gothic in popular culture and how it has inspired innovative new work in film, literature, music, and art. Spooner traces the emergence of the Gothic subculture over the past few decades and examines the various aspects of contemporary society that revolve around the grotesque, abject, and artificial. The Gothic is continually resituated in different spheres of culture, she reveals, as she explores the transplantation of the "street" Goth style to haute couture runway looks by fashion designers. The Gothic also appears in a number of surprisingly diverse representations, and Spooner considers them all, from the artistic excesses of Jake and Dinos Chapman to the fashions of Alexander McQueen, and from the mind-bending films of David Lynch to the abnormal postmodern subjects of Joel-Peter Witkin's photography. In an engaging way, *Contemporary Gothic* argues that this style ultimately balances a number of contradictions—the grotesque and incorporeal, authentic self-expression and campiness, mass popularity and cult appeal, comfort and outrage—and these contradictions make the Gothic a crucial expression of contemporary cultural currents. Whether seeking to understand the stories behind the TV show *Supernatural* or to extract deeper meanings from modern literature, *Contemporary Gothic* is a lively and virtually unparalleled study of the modern Gothic sensibility that pervades popular culture today.

*The Boy who Kicked Pigs* Hodder Education  
Das Tagebuch einer sensiblen Ich-Erzählerin enthüllt mysteriöse Zustände zwischen Wahn und Wirklichkeit in einem amerikanischen Mädchen-Internat.

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