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Toughboy and Sister Bree Wolf

France 1917 Agn è s Gunarsson de Melancourt is now a qualified doctor, and despite her youthful vow to shun Ch â teau de Dragancourt and its freethinking inhabitants, her oath as a physician weighs stronger. World War I is raging over the north of France, and the castle has been turned into a frontline hospital, with Elle and Jacques at the helm. Together with her best friend Kat, Agn è s faces the scars from the past in the castle ’ s former dining room, now turned operation room, where they fight to save the lives of as many Allied soldiers as possible. There she meets a very changed Elle and Jacques, who now put duty before privilege. Can Agn è s give Elle a second chance at friendship now they are stuck together? And why does the devilish handsome Jacques always bring down her defenses? Doctor Agn è s has to face her own past in a war that is both personal and universal, finally uniting the opposing forces.

## Doing Time Online Amazon Crossing Kids

Twelve-year-old Mitchell got involved with the wrong kid this past summer, and the prank they played led to an elderly woman's injury. Now he finds himself at the police station—his "sentence" is to chat online with a nursing home resident twice a week for the next month. Mitch isn ’ t thrilled; what could he and some "old" person possibly talk about? But Mitch ’ s new online friend has a personality all her own. Her name is Wootie Hayes, and she has plenty to talk about: how she got her name, how much she misses her own home, and how she detests bingo. But she also wants to know about Mitch ’ s situation. Without expecting it, they help each other face the truth and begin a new friendship in the process.

The Vanderbeekers Make a Wish Random House Trade Paperbacks

In this “ wonderfully rich ” (San Francisco Chronicle) novel from the author of the internationally bestselling The Oracle of Stamboul, a young man journeys from California to Cairo to unravel centuries-old family secrets. “ This book is a joy. ” —Rabih Alameddine, author of the National Book Award finalist An Unnecessary Woman WINNER OF: THE AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION ’ S SOPHIE BRODY AWARD • THE NATIONAL JEWISH BOOK AWARD IN FICTION • THE SAMI ROHR PRIZE FOR JEWISH LITERATURE • Named One of the Ten Best Books of the Year by the BBC • Longlisted

for the Northern California Independent Booksellers Association Fiction Prize • A Penguin Random House International One World, One Book Selection • Honorable Mention for the Middle East Book Award Joseph, a literature student at Berkeley, is the son of a Jewish mother and a Muslim father. One day, a mysterious package arrives on his doorstep, pulling him into a mesmerizing adventure to uncover the centuries-old history that binds the two sides of his family. From the storied Ibn Ezra Synagogue in Old Cairo, where generations of his family served as watchmen, to the lives of British twin sisters Agnes and Margaret, who in 1897 leave Cambridge on a mission to rescue sacred texts that have begun to disappear from the synagogue, this tightly woven multigenerational tale illuminates the tensions that have torn communities apart and the unlikely forces that attempt to bridge that divide. Moving and richly textured, The Last Watchman of Old Cairo is a poignant portrait of the intricate relationship between fathers and sons, and an unforgettable testament to the stories we inherit and the places we are from. Praise for The Last Watchman of Old Cairo

“ A beautiful, richly textured novel, ambitious and delicately crafted, The Last Watchman of Old Cairo is both a coming-of-age story and a family history, a wide-ranging book about fathers and sons, religion, magic, love, and the essence of storytelling. This book is a joy. ” —Rabih Alameddine, author of the National Book Award finalist An Unnecessary Woman “ Lyrical, compassionate and illuminating. ” —BBC “ Michael David Lukas has given us an elegiac novel of Cairo—Old Cairo and modern Cairo. Lukas ’ s greatest flair is in capturing the essence of that beautiful, haunted, shabby, beleaguered yet still utterly sublime Middle Eastern city. ” —Lucette Lagnado, author of The Man in the White Sharkskin Suit and The Arrogant Years “ Brilliant. ” —The Jerusalem Post

## Sweet Home Alaska Penguin

Eleven-year-old John, known as Toughboy, and his younger sister must fend for themselves at their isolated family fish camp on the Yukon when their father vanishes on a drinking binge.

## No Country for Old Men Simon and Schuster

DIV When the tenant of a house that university professor Nina owns with her doctor husband goes missing after an uncomfortable visit, Nina starts her own investigation ... with deeply disturbing results. The long-awaited new psychological thriller from the bestselling author of The Bird Tribunal. \*\*The Times Book of the Month\*\* \*\*NUMBER ONE BESTSELLER IN NORWAY\*\* \*\*WINNER of the Norwegian Booksellers' Award\*\* \*\*Longlisted for the CWA International Dagger\*\* 'A clever, quirky mystery, full of twists and reminiscent of Agatha Christie at her best' The Times 'Ravatn, one of Norway's premier crime writers, manages to conjure up an extra level of chilling atmosphere that will make you want to put the heating on ... The Seven Doors packs a brutal punch' The Sun 'Elegantly plotted and economically executed ... Ravatn smoothly mixes Jungian and Freudian psychology with folklore and an affair's lethal consequences. Inexorable fate drives this searing modern take on ancient Greek tragedy' Publishers Weekly STARRED REVIEW \_\_\_\_\_ University professor Nina is at a turning

point. Her work seems increasingly irrelevant, her doctor husband is never home, relations with her difficult daughter are strained, and their beautiful house is scheduled for demolition. When her daughter decides to move into another house they own, things take a very dark turn. The young woman living there disappears, leaving her son behind, the day after Nina and her daughter pay her a visit. With few clues, the police enquiry soon grinds to a halt, but Nina has an inexplicable sense of guilt. Unable to rest, she begins her own investigation, but as she pulls on the threads of the case, it seems her discoveries may have very grave consequences for her and her family. Exquisitely dark and immensely powerful, *The Seven Doors* is a sophisticated and deeply disturbing psychological thriller from one of Norway's most distinguished voices.

\_\_\_\_\_ 'Wrenching and tense, a psychological chiller with multiple layers unpeeling graciously to reveal further strata of emotional bleakness and enigmas' Maxim Jakubowski, *CrimeTime* Praise for Agnes Ravatn 'Unfolds in an austere style that perfectly captures the bleakly beautiful landscape of Norway's far north' Irish Times 'Reminiscent of Patricia Highsmith – and I can't offer higher praise than that – Agnes Ravatn is an author to watch' Philip Ardagh 'A tense and riveting read' Financial Times 'A masterclass in suspense and delayed terror' Rod Reynolds, author of *Blood Red City* 'A beautifully written story set in a captivating landscape ... it keeps you turning the pages' Sarah Ward, author of *The Quickening* 'Crackling, fraught and hugely compulsive slice of Nordic Noir ... tremendously impressive' Doug Johnstone, *Big Issue* 'Chilling, atmospheric and hauntingly beautiful ... I was transfixed' Amanda Jennings, author of *The Storm* 'Beautifully done ... dark, psychologically tense and packed full of emotion both overt or deliberately disguised' Raven Crime Reads 'Intriguing ... enrapturing' Sarah Hilary, author of *Fragile* 'So chilling and bleak that it feels like the dead of win

*Year of Miss Agnes* Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

Twelve-year-old Minuk's traditional Eskimo way of life is changed forever in 1892 with the arrival of Christian missionaries who not only bring their strong medicine, but also bring their strong diseases. Simultaneous.

*Miss Agnes and the Ginger* Tom Aladdin

A year they'll never forget Ten-year-old Frederika (Fred for short) doesn't have much faith that the new teacher in town will last very long. After all, they never do. Most teachers who come to their one-room schoolhouse in remote, Alaska leave at the first smell of fish, claiming that life there is just too hard. But Miss Agnes is different -- she doesn't get frustrated with her students, and she throws away old textbooks and reads Robin Hood instead! For the first time, Fred and her classmates begin to enjoy their lessons and learn to read and write -- but will Miss Agnes be like all the rest and leave as quickly as she came?

**The Book Whisperer** Simon and Schuster

In the 1860s, Erinia Pavaloff's life at a trading post in Russian America gets more complicated when the region is annexed to the United States and members of the small community become American Alaskans. Author's note identifies the historical basis for the story.

**Do Not Pass Go** Prabhat Prakashan

A Smithsonian Notable Book for Children A School Library Journal Best Book of the Year "Genius." —The New York Times Book Review A beautiful repackage marking the twentieth anniversary of the beloved, award-winning novel that celebrates teachers and

learning. Ten-year-old Frederika (Fred for short) doesn't have much faith that the new teacher in town will last very long. After all, they never do. Most teachers who come to their one-room schoolhouse in remote Alaska leave at the first smell of fish, claiming that life there is just too hard. But Miss Agnes is different: she doesn't get frustrated with her students, and finds new ways to teach them to read and write. She even takes a special interest in Fred's sister, Bokko, who has never come to school before because she is deaf. For the first time, Fred, Bokko, and their classmates begin to enjoy their lessons—but will Miss Agnes be like all the rest and leave as quickly as she came?

*Study Guide* Farrar, Straus and Giroux (BYR)

Agnes knows she is at home before she even opens her eyes in the morning. The sounds and smells and people swirl around her--she always knows what everyone is up to in the tight-knit apartment building where she lives. But she also knows what it is like to be the only child in a place full of adults who never have time. So when a little girl moves in to the building, Agnes is excited and sends her a subtle message. But the girl doesn't respond. Then things start to change around Agnes's place--and Agnes knows exactly who is to blame. It seems like the girl is interested in everyone except for Agnes! Will Agnes and the new girl ever meet? And what secrets does the new girl hold? First published in Norway, this is a lovely story about home and belonging and how one person can transform our world.

**The Year of Miss Agnes** Walker Childrens

New York Times Book Review Editor's Choice A funny, heartwarming, and heartbreaking contemporary story about three boys, one teacher, and a day none of them will ever forget. "Kids won't just love this book. They need it." —Soman Chainani, New York Times bestselling author of *The School for Good and Evil* "Each page crackles as we embark on the greatest adventure of all." —Gary D. Schmidt, Newbery Honor winner and author of *Okay for Now* Everyone knows there are different kinds of teachers. The boring ones, the mean ones, the ones who try too hard, the ones who stopped trying long ago. The ones you'll never remember, and the ones you want to forget. Ms. Bixby is none of these. She's the sort of teacher who makes you feel like school is somehow worthwhile. Who recognizes something in you that sometimes you don't even see in yourself. Who you never want to disappoint. What Ms. Bixby is, is one of a kind. Topher, Brand, and Steve know this better than anyone. And so when Ms. Bixby unexpectedly announces that she won't be able to finish the school year, they come up with a risky plan—more of a quest, really—to give Ms. Bixby the last day she deserves. Through the three very different stories they tell, we begin to understand what Ms. Bixby means to each of them—and what the three of them mean to each other. John David Anderson is the author of *Sidekicked* and *The Dungeoneers*, proven winners with middle grade readers, and Ms. Bixby's Day is no exception.

**A Place to Hang the Moon** Henry Holt and Company (BYR)

A funny and moving story set in Kentucky It's the beginning of summer 1955, and though her family is struggling financially, Carolina's mama still indulges her four daughters' whims, like springing for all of them to get permanents. Each of her older sisters seems to have cut out a niche for herself, but Carolina Collins is still trying to find her own special place in life. The girls' hardship is softened by the sudden appearance of their favorite cousin, Tadpole, a charismatic thirteen-year-old with a knack for guitar playing. Tad sees in Carolina a spirit and talent that no one has noticed before, and he predicts

that she "is gonna surprise everybody one of these days." The Collinses soon learn the real reason for Tad's visit, however, and the weeks that follow are filled with dread that his abusive guardian will come and take him away. But Tad is not the sort of boy to succumb to a bully, and he and Carolina both have surprises in store for everyone. A Junior Library Guild Selection Tadpole is a 2004 Bank Street - Best Children's Book of the Year.

#### Mountain Born Holiday House

Turn any student into a bookworm with a few easy and practical strategies Donalyn Miller says she has yet to meet a child she can't turn into a reader. No matter how far behind Miller's students might be when they reach her 6th grade classroom, they end up reading an average of 40 to 50 books a year. Miller's unconventional approach dispenses with drills and worksheets that make reading a chore. Instead, she helps students navigate the world of literature and gives them time to read books they pick out themselves. Her love of books and teaching is both infectious and inspiring. In the book, you'll find: Hands-on strategies for managing and improving your own school library Tactics for helping students walk on their own two feet and continue the reading habit after they've finished with your class Data from student surveys and end-of-year feedback that proves how well the Miller Method works The Book Whisperer includes a dynamite list of recommended "kid lit" that helps parents and teachers find the books that students really like to read.

#### The Year of Miss Agnes John Wiley & Sons

In the previous book, *The Year of Miss Agnes*, it's 1948 and a new teacher comes to teach in the tiny Athabaskan village on the Koyukuk River in Alaska. Ten-year-old Fred tells why Miss Agnes is the best teacher they've ever had in their one-room school, and different in every way. In the sequel, *Miss Agnes and the Ginger Tom*, their wonderful teacher is back. And she's brought a cat, the first they've ever seen. But how long will she stay? Miss Agnes has arranged for her extraordinarily gifted student, Jimmy Sam, to go away to a college prep school "outside." If he can pass the test. Miss Agnes starts Jimmy on a rigorous program of study for the test and Fred and the others learn right along with him. The whole village is part of Miss Agnes' school. She's brought boxes of books and soon everyone in town is reading something from the school bookshelves. And she's brought a movie projector so the village people can see movies for the first time. The village's anxiety increases as the school year goes on, waiting for Jimmy's test. Grandma says it's hutlaanee, bad luck, to talk about the test, but they can't help it. If Jimmy doesn't pass it he will have to leave school next year to do a man's work with his father and brother, all his dreams of being a scientist come to nothing.

#### *The Year of the Baby* Amer Girl Pub

Lera Knox, born Lera Margaret Ussery, recalls her life starting from pioneer days in Middle Tennessee through the early years of her marriage and career as a newspaper reporter for the Nashville Banner, Columbia Daily Herald, and Maury Democrat. A city girl, she married a farmer, Alex Knox, and had two children, Margaret and Jack.

#### Benjamin West and His Cat Grimalkin Hannah Byron Books

Did you know that your brokenness could be a gift? *Be the Gift*, by New York Times bestselling author Ann Voskamp, will challenge and encourage you to listen to God and look for opportunities to be His gift to others. Ann Voskamp's *Be the Gift* will teach you: Even in the depths of your brokenness, God can use you to be a gift to someone else That our lives become more abundant by giving forward How to put your brokenness into action and bless those around you each day of the year *Be the Gift* will be an

incredible gift to any loved one. It includes: Beautifully designed quotations and inspirational verses Ann's signature photography *Be the Gift* will unpack and chronicle your steps to living in communion--opening ourselves up to givenness in spite of our brokenness.

#### **The Seven Doors** Penguin

With her finely tuned ear for the concerns and cadences of childhood, Zolotow records a little girl describing all the things she likes that grown-ups usually do not. This tale, adapted from Zolotow's *I Want to Be Little* and newly illustrated with appealing watercolors, will strike a pleasurable chord with adults and children.

#### **Doctor Agnès** Margaret K. McElderry Books

From the World's No. 1 Storyteller, *James and the Giant Peach* is a children's classic that has captured young reader's imaginations for generations. One of TIME MAGAZINE's 100 Best Fantasy Books of All Time After James Henry Trotter's parents are tragically eaten by a rhinoceros, he goes to live with his two horrible aunts, Spiker and Sponge. Life there is no fun, until James accidentally drops some magic crystals by the old peach tree and strange things start to happen. The peach at the top of the tree begins to grow, and before long it's as big as a house. Inside, James meets a bunch of oversized friends—Grasshopper, Centipede, Ladybug, and more. With a snip of the stem, the peach starts rolling away, and the great adventure begins! Roald Dahl is the author of numerous classic children's stories including *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, *Matilda*, *The BFG*, and many more! "James and the Giant Peach remains a favorite among kids and parents alike nearly 60 years after it was first published, thanks to its vivid imagery, vibrant characters and forthright exploration of mature themes like death and hope." —TIME Magazine

#### Bo at Ballard Creek Harper Collins

This exciting pioneering story, based on actual events, introduces readers to a fascinating chapter in American history, when FDR set up a New Deal colony in Alaska to give loans and land to families struggling during the Great Depression. *Terpsichore* can't wait to follow in Laura Ingalls Wilder's footsteps . . . now she just has to convince her mom. It's 1934, and times are tough for their family. To make a fresh start, *Terpsichore's* father signs up for President Roosevelt's Palmer Colony project, uprooting them from Wisconsin to become pioneers in Alaska. Their new home is a bit of a shock—it's a town still under construction in the middle of the wilderness, where the residents live in tents and share a community outhouse. But *Terpsichore's* not about to let first impressions get in the way of this grand adventure. Tackling its many unique challenges with her can-do attitude, she starts making things happen to make Alaska seem more like home. Soon, she and her family are able to start settling in and enjoying their new surroundings—everyone except her mother, that is. So, in order to stay, *Terpsichore* hatches a plan to convince her that it's a wonderful—and civilized—place to live . . . a plan that's going to take all the love, energy, and Farmer Boy expertise *Terpsichore* can muster.

#### The Year of Miss Agnes Orenda Books

Told in lively comic-strip style, this book relates the tale of Robin and his merry band. Youngsters can read how Robin becomes an outlaw, gets a ducking from Little John and encounters a disguised Maid Marian.