

Wake Up Mummy The Heartbreaking True Story Of An Abused Little Girl Whose Mother Was Too Drunk To Notice

Getting a young child to go to sleep and stay asleep is one of the most challenging aspects of parenting. Yet many parents resign themselves to enduring years of exhaustion. Now there is a sensible, smarter alternative, a no cry sleep method, that really works. Kim West, known to her clients as The Sleep Lady, has developed a practical, easy to follow and effective sleep training approach that is gentle on both parent and child. The Sleep Lady Method - including a gentle, practical, step-by-step programme called The Sleep Lady Shuffle - has worked for hundreds of families. Whether you want to start to gently shape your baby's sleep habits or address specific sleep problems, this book will give you the answers you need, the confidence to put them into action, and the good night's sleep you all deserve!

The only man you've ever loved is slipping away... Mel and Adam were childhood sweethearts and remain blissfully happy twenty years on. And then it happens... When tragedy strikes, Mel is faced with losing the only man she has ever loved. But what if he hasn't really been taken from her at all - he just can't find a way to let her know... From the bestselling author of *While My Eyes Were Closed* comes a heart-breaking story of love against all odds. *** WHAT READERS ARE SAYING ABOUT AND THEN IT HAPPENED 'Incredibly poignant' ***** 'Engaging, accurate and beautifully written' ***** 'A love story with a difference' ***** Also available from Linda Green: *After I've Gone* *While My Eyes Were Closed* *I Did a Bad Thing* *Things I Wish I'd Known* *Ten Reasons Not to Fall in Love* *The Last Thing She Told Me*

In Barkley Cove, een rustig stadje aan de kust van North Carolina, gaan al jarenlang geruchten over het moerasmeisje. Kya is in haar eentje opgegroeid in het moeras. Hier voelt ze zich thuis. De natuur is haar leerschool. Dan komt de tijd dat ze ernaar verlangt aangeraakt te worden en lief te hebben. Twee jonge mannen uit de stad raken geïntregeerd door haar fascinerende schoonheid. Wanneer een van hen dood wordt gevonden, valt de verdenking onmiddellijk op Kya. Het moerasmeisje: een bedwelmende debuutroman over een geïsoleerde jonge vrouw, die in de wildernis van het diepe zuiden van Noord-Amerika weet te overleven. Het is wel duidelijk dat de auteur hier zelf vandaan komt. Haar prachtige, dampende proza is onvergetelijk.

Trusted maternity nurse Lisa Clegg is on-hand to gently guide you through your child's toddler years. In this book, you'll learn everything you need to know to support your toddler's development, including: · Potty training – when and how to start · Behaviour – avoiding and coping with tantrums · Feeding – introducing new foods and avoiding fussy eating · Learning – encouraging language and movement · Next steps – preparing your toddler for nursery and pre-school With practical advice, answers to common questions and confidence-boosting tips, *The Blissful Toddler Expert* is the essential handbook for all parents with toddlers.

Twee jongens in Londen worden geconfronteerd met een ondraaglijk verdriet als plotseling hun moeder sterft. De vader, biograaf van de dichter Ted Hughes, voorziet een toekomst met goedbedoelende bezoekers en een grote leegte. Op dit moment van tegenspoed wordt de familie bezocht door Kraai – tegenspeler, bedrieger, genezer, babysitter. Deze teergevoelige vogel voelt zich aangetrokken tot de rouwende familie en dreigt bij ze te blijven tot ze hem niet meer nodig hebben. Wanneer de weken tot maanden worden en de pijn van het verlies plaatsmaakt voor mooie herinneringen, begint het helingsproces van het driet. Onverwacht humoristisch en waarlijk emotioneel: 'Verdriet is het ding met veren' is een debuut om nooit meer te vergeten. 'We missen onze moeder, we houden van onze vader, we zwaaien naar kraaien. Zo vreemd is dat niet.'

Een schitterende roman voor de lezers van *De nachtegaal* en *Haar naam was Sarah* 'Sarah Jio staat garant voor meeslepende romans vol spanning en romantiek.' Libelle Twee vrouwen zijn met elkaar verbonden door de oorlog, de stad Parijs, een mysterieuze stapel liefdesbrieven en door de tijd. Een vrouw komt bij in het ziekenhuis, ze is in de war en lijdt aan geheugenverlies. Ze krijgt te horen dat ze Caroline heet en al jaren een eenzaam en teruggetrokken leven leidt in een appartement aan de Seine. Verder is het enige houvast dat ze heeft wat vage flarden van herinneringen aan een man en een jong kind, en Caroline probeert uit alle macht haar verleden terug te krijgen. Als Caroline naar huis mag, vindt ze daar in een kast een stapel brieven van ene Celine, een jonge weduwe die in de Tweede Wereldoorlog met haar vader en dochter in hetzelfde appartement woonde en die werkte in een bloemenwinkel. Geschokt leest ze over de nazicommandant die Celine chanteerde met haar Joodse afkomst en haar dwang zijn minnares te worden. Over de afschuwelijke dingen die Celine moest doen om haar innig geliefde dochter te beschermen. Naarmate Caroline verder leest, komen er steeds meer herinneringen boven, en langzamerhand realiseert Caroline zich hoe sterk de overeenkomsten tussen haar en Celine zijn. De pers over de boeken van Sarah Jio 'Dit spannende verhaal doet veel denken aan de stijl van de populaire auteur Nicholas Sparks.' NBD Biblion 'Een fascinerend verhaal over liefde, verlies, schuld en vergeving.' Publishers Weekly 'Een betoverend verhaal.' Kirkus Reviews

Why would you walk away from the one person you can't live without? As a child, Vicky Hall never had the sort of family she wanted. The least important person in her new step-family, ignored by her mother in favour of her two younger half-siblings, Vicky was always an afterthought. Sitting alone at her graduation ceremony at the age of twenty-one, she vows to create her own family and her own life, one which is full of the love and attention she has always craved. When Vicky meets William and falls pregnant in Greece that summer, it isn't planned. But the two of them believe they can make it work, showering their child with the love which they believe should be enough. But when her son Theo is two, Vicky leaves him in the care of her mother-in-law, walks out of her front door and drives to a hotel where she takes a room for the night. She doesn't return. It's unthinkable. What kind of mother does that? The kind who is hiding a story you can never imagine. *The Mother I Could Have Been* is a heartbreaking story of impossible decisions and second chances, from the bestselling author of *The Silent Wife* and *The Woman I Was Before*. Perfect for fans of Jodi Picoult, Liane Moriarty and Diane Chamberlain. Readers are loving *The Mother I Could Have Been*! 'WOW!... An amazing read!!!' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'I wish I could have read this book in one sitting... I literally couldn't put it down.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'Kerry Fisher goes from strength to strength, with *The Mother I Could Have Been* being her best book yet.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'This is a book that once I picked up, it totally consumed me. I ended up reading it in one evening as I was so absorbed by what was in front of me and I had to see how everything was going to end... An absolute must read.' By the Letter Book Reviews, 5 stars 'I have loved every book I've read by this author and this is no exception. I loved it. I didn't want it to end. Excellent read.' NetGalley reviewer, 5 stars 'An incredible read. So well written and heartfelt.' NetGalley reviewer, 5 stars 'I don't even know how to start this review as I know my words will never do it justice. Each time I pick one of Kerry's books up, I wonder how it is going to top her previous book as each and every one I've read has absolutely blown me

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away and warmed me to the core.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'Another great Kerry Fisher read... this book makes you want to hug your loved ones and tell them you love them as you never know what's around the corner!' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'Awesome story... grab your hankies! Read in one day.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'LOVED this book so much... Beautifully written and such a great read. Highly recommend.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars '5 stars! I absolutely love Kerry Fisher's writing... Highly recommend The Mother I Could Have Been.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'A cracking good read... Loved it.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'Oh my goodness what a story! ...I absolutely was drawn into it from the very beginning.' Goodreads Reviewer, 5 stars 'Loved it!!! When I got to the end, I shouted NOOOOOOOO!!! (In my head, not out loud.) I couldn't believe it was over.' NetGalley reviewer 'Gripping, heartbreaking, emotional page turner! Wow! ... I couldn't stop reading this book! I was hooked! This book has drama written all over it!' Goodreads reviewer 'I'm going to go out on a limb here and say – if I were to ever re-read books, this would be one I would re-read.' Goodreads reviewer

THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER Want to know the truth about what life is like as a mum and step-mum with a chaotic patchwork family? This book is everything I've been through that's made me who I am, plus the lessons I've learned from many mistakes. I hope that it will make you laugh as well as give you strength to keep going when times get tough. After all, we are all in this together... Rachaele, aka Part-Time Working Mummy Hundreds of thousands of fans flock to the PTWM page online and now, in this book, Rachaele shares her behind-the-scenes experiences with single parenthood, unexpected pregnancy, domestic violence, relationships, bullying and much more - spreading kindness amidst the craziness along the way! ***** Readers are raving about this book ***** 'What can I say...amazing! The book is humbling, it's heart wrenching, it's funny and it's real life! The world needs more Rachaeles.' 'Thanks to Rachaele and this amazing book, I all of a sudden don't feel so bad about my parenting skills. A brave insight on Rachaele's life and how patchwork families can be amazing if you fill your home with love. A must have on your book shelf!' 'The most heart wrenching real book I've ever read, full of sadness, amazement and utter brilliance. Never has a book made me have a lump in my throat and burst into tears then have me in fits of laughter a few pages later... So real and so relatable.' 'I don't normally do reviews or books even but wow I couldn't put it down! Read it in one. A must read!' 'Straight-from-the-heart read - every mum needs to read this.'

Eleanor Oliphant heeft haar leven vrij goed onder controle. Ze draagt elke dag dezelfde kleren, eet elke dag dezelfde maaltijd, en koopt elk weekend twee flessen wodka. Met Eleanor Oliphant gaat eigenlijk alles goed. Haar zorgvuldig gestructureerde leven loopt op rolletjes en ze mist niks. Of althans, soms (best wel vaak eigenlijk) is ze eenzaam en zou ze gelukkig willen zijn. Als Eleanor op een dag samen met een collega een oudere man helpt die gevallen is, verandert haar hele leven onverwachts. De muren die haar al zo lang beschermen verdwijnen als sneeuw voor de zon, en ze zal voor het eerst de confrontatie met haar angsten en twijfels aan moeten gaan. Want Eleanor Oliphant weet misschien wel hoe ze moet functioneren, maar ze heeft geen idee hoe ze moet leven.

As tough, spirited, warm and funny as the woman herself, From Strength to Strength is the inspirational story of Sara Henderson's extraordinary courage and determination. In 1959, Sara met American war hero and shipping magnate Charles Henderson III, and so began what she calls the world's most demanding, humiliating and challenging obstacle course any human could be expected to endure. Three years after their marriage, Charles presented Sara with her new home, a tin shack in a million acres of red dust. Bullo River. After twenty years of back-breaking work on this remote Northern Australian cattle station, Charlie's death revealed that Sara had not only been left with a floundering property, but also with a heart-breaking mountain of debt. With very little to lose, Sara and her daughters, Marlee and Danielle, took up the challenge of rebuilding Bullo River ... with such tremendous results that in 1991 Sara was named the Businesswoman of the Year. This best-selling autobiography of Sara's story has touched the hearts of people all over Australia. 'Everyone has a book in them, they say, but not everyone has the kind of story Sara Henderson tells, and tells well.' — THE BULLETIN

Three-year-old Lexie, five-year-old Amelie and thirteen-year-old Leo come to Maggie after Leo confesses to a teacher that his mother's addiction problems and her latest violent relationship has left him as the sole carer to his younger sisters. Maggie welcomes the three children into her home, and is touched by the gentle care Leo shows to the two little girls. It is clear that Lexie and Amelie adore their big brother, and rely on him for comfort and reassurance. But Leo has experienced the neglect and abuse of his mother and her partner for far longer than his sisters, and is struggling with an eating disorder and showing signs of OCD. When Social Services begin to look at adoptive families for the children, Maggie is horrified when they suggest that the two angelic little girls will have a much better chance of being adopted without their damaged older brother. Knowing the impact that losing his sisters forever will have on vulnerable Leo, they face the ultimate dilemma. Should the children stay together and dash the hope of them ever having a forever family? Or do they sacrifice the close bond between the siblings to give the girls a chance to be adopted?

'I would do anything for you to get well again, baby girl.' It's a promise. Even though it means asking her father for help, going back there, risking everything. Whatever the cost, there's no hesitation in my mind. Because that's what you do when you're a mother. Single mother Anna's six-year-old daughter Libby is her whole world. Having escaped a marriage that was threatening to destroy her, Anna has managed to get their lives back on track. Looking at Libby's sweet, heart-shaped face, Anna is filled with hope for the future. They have each other and nothing else matters. But then Libby gets ill, with a rare disorder that means she needs a transplant from a relative if she's going to survive. And when Anna discovers she herself isn't a match, there's only one person she can turn to. So she picks up the phone, and dials a number she hoped she'd never have to call again. The man she once ran from. Her daughter's father. She knows he'll want to be part of their lives again and that the fear she felt for years will come flooding back. But deep down Anna knows what she has to do, what any mother would. Because if there's a chance to save your daughter's life, wouldn't you do whatever it takes? An unforgettable, heartbreaking and ultimately uplifting story from the bestselling author of My Husband's Daughter, this novel is perfect for fans of Jodi Picoult, Diane Chamberlain and Jojo Moyes. Readers are loving To Save My Child: 'I cried bucket loads with this book, honestly it is such an emotive tear jerker of a book, so be prepared... Captivating... Grabbed hold of me and I couldn't have let go even if I wanted to. I had to know what happened. I took the characters to my heart and they will remain there, along with this book, for a long time.' Goodreads reviewer ?????? 'Wonderful... A tear-jerker, this one must be read with a box of tissues handy.' Goodreads reviewer ?????? 'An exceptional read and I had to wipe tears from my eyes. Gripping and emotional from start to finish.' NetGalley reviewer ?????? 'A really beautiful poignant read... Both heartbreaking and very sad.' NetGalley reviewer ?????? 'Full of emotion, both heart-breaking and heart-warming... storytelling straight from [the] very heart... Wonderful characters that are true to life and will become like personal friends... This is women's literature at its very best.' NetGalley reviewer ?????? 'A beautifully written emotional story that would bring a tear or two to anyone. Emma Robinson definitely writes the type of book that keeps the reader gripped from the first page.' Goodreads reviewer ?????? 'Had me crying... it really tugged at my heartstrings... This book had everything, a race against time, ethics and morals, unlikely friendships, heartbreak and chilling moments to rival Jodi Picoult and Diane Chamberlain.' Goodreads reviewer ?????? 'Wow, just brilliant... Emma Robinson definitely knows how to pull at the heart strings and I was glued to this book from the beginning until the end... I couldn't get enough...brilliant.' NetGalley reviewer ?????? 'Omg, the tears! This is a heartbreaking story.' NetGalley reviewer ?????? 'A real treat... Full of emotion, both heartbreaking and heart-warming... Perfection... This is women's literature at its very best.' NetGalley reviewer ?????? 'What a rollercoaster of a read!...Heartbreaking and uplifting in equal

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measure.' NetGalley reviewer ??????

Op 29 april 1992 om 15.15 uur spreekt een jury in Los Angeles twee agenten vrij van de aanklacht van excessief geweld tegen Rodney King. Minder dan twee uur later staat de stad, toch al een kruitvat van rassenhaat, in brand. Wat volgt is een orgie van rellen en geweld die zes dagen aanhoudt. Er vallen zestig doden. Maar wat weinigen weten is dat terwijl de stad brandt, gangs hun kans schoon zien om elkaar ongestoord te lijf te gaan. Daarbij wordt een onbekend aantal mensen vermoord. In deze adembenemende en filmische literaire meesterproef zoomt Ryan Gattis in op zes levens die met elkaar verbonden zijn in deze gruwelijke en angstaanjagende omstandigheden. Twee gangsters, een tacoverkoper, een verpleegster, een graffiti-artiest, een brandweerman: samen tonen ze ons het wild kloppende hart van LA. Een complexe en fascinerende stad die even warmbloedig is als dreigend. Gattis is een groot nieuw talent. Voor deze ambitieuze roman drong hij diep door tot de gang scene in LA – een relevant, wreed en betoverend epos over misdaad, ras, wraak, loyaliteit en liefde in de chaos van South Central LA.

'For fans of Maggie O'Farrell and Jojo Moyes, this is a sweeping book of love, motherhood, death and hope' **STYLIST** 'Wonderfully assured' **THE TIMES** 'Pass the tissues...' **EVENING STANDARD** 'Lovely novel. Highly recommend' **JENNI MURRAY** 'Beautifully written' **THE SUN** 'Prepare for heartbreak' **WOMAN & HOME** 'A beautiful story' **LAURA PEARSON** 'Brilliant' **BELLA** Because there's never enough time to say goodbye... Sylvia knows that she's running out of time. Very soon, she will exist only in the memories of those who loved her most and the pieces of her life she's left behind. So she begins to write her husband a handbook for when she's gone, somewhere to capture the small moments of ordinary, precious happiness in their married lives. From raising their wild, loving son, to what to give their gentle daughter on her eighteenth birthday - it's everything she should have told him before it was too late. But Sylvia also has a secret, one that she's saved until the very last pages. And it's a moment in her past that could change everything... Praise for *For When I'm Gone*: 'Beautifully written, with powerful messages of hope' **KATHERINE WEBB** 'A moving portrait of a modern family in crisis' **FRANCESCA HORNAK** 'Ley took my breath away. Exquisitely written and deeply effective' **KATE WEINBERG** 'Heart-breaking. Beautifully written. Reminded me of Maggie O'Farrell' **REBECCA THORNTON** 'A beautiful, sharply observed tale of motherhood, complicated women and family dynamics' **CHARLOTTE PHILBY** 'Heartbreaking and yet uplifting... Rebecca Ley has written a wonderful debu't **JENNY QUINTANA** 'Rebecca Ley explores the need for love, forgiveness and remembrance that's within us all' **WOMAN'S WEEKLY**

*** **THE #1 KINDLE BESTSELLER** *** *** **A NETGALLEY BOOK OF THE MONTH** *** 'Dark, heartbreaking and totally absorbing' -

LORRAINE KELLY 'Brilliantly written and emotionally compulsive' - **HARRIET TYCE** 'A powerful and thought-provoking page turner' -

KATERINA DIAMOND _____ **CALL ME MUMMY. IT'LL BE BETTER IF YOU DO.** Glamorous,

beautiful Mummy has everything a woman could want. Except for a daughter of her very own. So when she sees Kim - heavily pregnant, glued to her phone and ignoring her eldest child in a busy shop - she does what anyone would do. She takes her. But foul-mouthed little Tonya is not the daughter that Mummy was hoping for. As Tonya fiercely resists Mummy's attempts to make her into the perfect child, Kim is demonised by the media as a 'scummy mummy', who deserves to have her other children taken too. Haunted by memories of her own childhood and refusing to play by the media's rules, Kim begins to spiral, turning on those who love her. Though they are worlds apart, Mummy and Kim have more in common than they could possibly imagine. But it is five-year-old Tonya who is caught in the middle...

_____ 'Disturbing and distinctive, this is a book I couldn't put down' - **AMANDA JENNINGS**

'Tense and gripping, these characters will stay with me' - **ALICE CLARK-PLATTS** 'Psychologically twisty and utterly gripping' - **LISA HALL**

In Elke dag is er een komt een gewone vrouw uit een Hollywood-familie erachter dat liefde en beroemdheid niet makkelijk samengaan. Danielle Steel. Wegdromen met een verhaal dat je raakt. Coco Barrington is als enige in haar Hollywood-familie niet succesvol en beroemd. Maar ze heeft niet veel nodig en ze geniet van de kleine dingen in het leven. Dan vraagt haar zus Jane of ze een paar weken op haar huis en de hond kan passen. Tot Coco's schrik blijft er nóg iemand logeren: een beroemde filmster. Coco heeft het niet zo op celebrity's, maar deze man is zo sympathiek dat ze hem beter wil leren kennen. Zal ze voor haar nieuwe liefde durven gaan? En zullen de familieleden elkaar ooit accepteren zoals ze zijn?

Toni Maguires schijnbaar idyllische jeugd kent een afschuwelijke waarheid. Als ze zes jaar is begint haar vader haar te misbruiken, terwijl hij eist dat het ons geheim blijft. Moedig vertelt Toni het aan haar moeder, omdat ze verwacht dat zij hem zal stoppen. Maar er volgen jaren van seksuele en geestelijke marteling. Zwanger gemaakt door haar vader als ze veertien is, vertelt ze haar verschrikkelijke geheim opnieuw. Haar vader komt in de gevangenis terecht, maar zij wordt verstoten door haar familie, leraren en vrienden. Meegesleurd in een wereld van depressie en waanzin kan Toni alleen nog op zichzelf rekenen om in de toekomst een gelukkig leven op te kunnen bouwen.

Hello! magazine's April 2018 'book of the week' Set across two decades in London and Ireland, *Her Mother's Daughter* sees the lives of a troubled and emotionally abusive mother and her innocent ten-year-old daughter change forever after one summer holiday. 1980: Josephine flees her home in Ireland, hoping never to return. She starts a new, exciting life in London, but as much as she tries, she can't quite leave the trauma of her childhood behind. Seventeen years and two children later, Josephine gets a call from her sister to tell her that their mother is dying and wants to see her - a summons she can't refuse. 1997: Ten-year-old Clare is counting down to the summer holidays, when she is going to meet her grandparents in Ireland for the first time. She hopes this trip will put an end to her mum's dark moods - and drinking. But family secrets can't stay buried forever and following revelations in Ireland, everything starts to unravel. Have Josephine and her daughter passed the point of no return?

When Maggie's latest placement arrives on her doorstep, it is clear that Sean, Dougie and their big sister Mary have been through unspeakable traumas in their short?lives. Violent and malnourished,?the siblings have been left to fend for themselves by their drug-addicted parents. Maggie must use all of her skills and experience as a foster carer to help these damaged siblings to learn to be children again. With much love, care and patience, their behaviour gradually starts to improve and social services start looking for a forever family for them. But alarm bells start to ring when Maggie meets the couple who have been matched to adopt the siblings. It is clear that they're looking for the perfect, ready-made family, and they're not going to get it with these vulnerable brothers and sister. Despite raising her concerns with social services, Maggie is powerless to prevent the adoption from going ahead and she must put aside her own fears to help the siblings settle in with their new parents. But she can't shake the feeling of dread as she waves them goodbye. A few months later, Maggie's worst nightmares come true when she learns that the children have been handed back to the care of social services following the breakdown of the adoption. Maggie must fight to get the children returned to her, but is it too late to undo the damage that has been done?

Katie Piper is een jonge vrouw van vierentwintig die alles heeft wat ze maar wil: een carrière als model en presentatrice, fijne vrienden en een liefhebbende familie. Tot ze op een dag een relatie met Daniel krijgt. Hij lijkt in eerste instantie de perfecte man: hij overspoelt haar met liefde, cadeautjes en aandacht, en Katie geniet. Tot ze twee weken later met Daniel meegaat naar een hotel en acht helse uren lang door hem wordt verkracht, geslagen en met de dood wordt bedreigd. Uit angst voor repercussies besluit ze Daniel niet aan te geven bij de politie, iets wat later een fatale beslissing zou blijken. Een paar dagen later loopt Katie op klaarlichte dag over straat en ziet ze een man op zich afkomen. Hij heeft een beker in zijn handen en denkend dat hij een bedelaar is, reikt ze naar haar portemonnee. Een seconde later voelt ze hoe haar gezicht en het leven zoals ze het kende langzaam worden weggebrand door zwavelzuur De littekens van mijn leven is het schokkende relaas van een jonge vrouw wier lichaam en ziel haar werden afgenomen, maar die dapper terug vecht. Dit is haar ongelooflijke, indrukwekkende levensverhaal.

I never expected to be doubted, but if I can't make them believe me, what then? I sit here beside her stroking her tiny hands as she sleeps

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and she looks so perfect. It never crossed my mind that something would be wrong with my sweet girl and I'd be powerless to do anything to help her. When Madeline's six-year-old daughter Tilly collapses one Sunday night, Madeline's world is turned upside down. Racing to the hospital, she imagines the worst scenarios in her mind, but when they arrive the doctors say that Tilly is fine. Madeline's ex-husband Adam and her best friend Laura think Madeline is being overprotective, that Tilly fainted because of her fussy eating. But Madeline is sure something is seriously wrong with Tilly. She can feel it. And she believes that a mother's instinct is never wrong. As Madeline embarks on a desperate journey to have Tilly re-diagnosed, taking her in and out of hospital, Adam and Laura begin to wonder if Tilly would be safer in Adam's care. Madeline just wants to keep her daughter safe, but the harder she pushes the closer she comes to losing her... One Last Second is an emotional reminder of just how far a mother will go to protect her child. Readers of Jodi Picoult, Diane Chamberlain and Kate Hewitt will never be able to forget this heartbreaking and beautiful story. What readers are saying about One Last Second: 'Wow! This book blew me away... Will make you think and break your heart in equal measure and is a breathtakingly beautifully written story of a mother's love. I will be looking out for more from this author.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'This one pulls you in and tugs at your heart. Make sure you have plenty of tissues on hand. A tear-jerker for sure.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'Wow! Such a brilliant read! A devastatingly frank, honest depiction of the power and intensity of a mother's love and belief and the lengths she will go to to protect her child!... I really didn't want to put it down and read it in one glorious sitting!' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'This book is so heart rendering!!... Beautifully written... It draws you in right from the first page and I couldn't stop myself from turning the pages to reach the end.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'A stunningly heartfelt novel, written so beautifully. I read it in one go and felt a whole rollercoaster of emotions.' NetGalley reviewer, 5 stars 'A wonderful powerful novel about parenthood and the love of your child... Fast-paced, packed full of emotion and will keep you turning the pages into the night. Utterly unputdownable.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'Gripped me from the word go and took me on an emotional journey of the sheer strength of a mother's love... Absolutely heartbreaking and heart-warming. A must read for sure.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'I read this book in four hours drinking in each scene wanting Tilly to be okay... Sam Vickery is hot on the heels of Jodi Picoult and Diane Chamberlain in how she portrays all sides of the issue to get the full picture but most importantly with emotion and sensitivity at the heart.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'What an amazing unputdownable story! I started reading this book just before bed last night and the next thing I knew it was the early hours and I'd finished it... My heart broke for Maddie and I was on the edge of my seat... This story is a powerful one and one that will stick with me forever!' Blogging for the Love of Authors and their Books, 5 stars

'Why did you leave me? Why did you get messed up with all of those drugs? Why did you kill my brother and sister? Didn't you love us enough?' Nikkia Roberson has been asking these questions for most of her life. But how else do you cope when your mentally ill mother has killed your little brother and sister by scalding them with boiling water? This is a harrowing true story of how one little girl endured the most tragic of childhoods. But it's also the ultimate tale of forgiveness. Follow Nikkia on her heartbreaking journey, as she attempts to find answers and rekindle a relationship with her mother behind the gates of a secure psychiatric hospital. Deeply moving, Mummy is a Killer proves that love really is the strongest emotion of all.

'We were just sacks of flesh existing as punchbags for their rage, or toys for their entertainment' Chris Wild lost his dad aged 11, leaving him to grow up in the care system. There, he witnessed the incessant physical and sexual abuse of children, with the only escape leading to the streets. So many others like him, failed by the systems put in place to protect them, ended up with nothing but drink, drugs, prostitution and crime as their normality. Later, working in a care home himself became the only way Chris could help, but he was shocked to discover little had changed and vulnerable children were still being failed. In Damaged, he shares heartbreaking memories of the care system along with the stories of all the boys, girls, men and women he met along the way - exposing why we must take action now to protect all of Britain's forgotten children.

En toch hield ik van hem is het schokkende verhaal van een jong meisje dat door haar eigen vader werd gedwongen zich te prostitueren, en de pijnlijke weg die zij moest gaan om haar gruwelijke jeugd achter zich te laten en een nieuw leven op te bouwen voor zichzelf en haar twee zoons.

`Ik heet August, en ik ga niet beschrijven hoe ik eruitzie. Wat je ook denkt, ik weet bijna zeker dat het erger is. Auggie Pullman is geboren met een gezichtsafwijking, en ook na veel operaties ziet hij er nog heel ongewoon uit. Hij doet zijn best niet op te vallen, maar mensen schrikken als ze hem zien, en ze staren of kijken weg. Als hij tien is gaat hij voor het eerst naar een gewone school. Auggie is bang dat hij niet geaccepteerd zal worden, en hij krijgt gelijk. Zijn klasgenoten negeren hem en sommigen beginnen hem te pesten. Maar er is één meisje dat zich niet door Auggies uiterlijk laat afschrikken... Wonder is het eerste boek van R.J. Palacio en het is meteen een enorm succes. In Amerika was Wonder hét boek van het jaar en begonnen lezers campagnes tegen pesten. Het boek verschijnt in meer dan vijftientig landen. `Wonder heeft de kracht om het hart te raken en gedachten te veranderen. The Guardian `Een prachtig en grappig verhaal dat je soms ook tot tranen roert. The Wall Street Journal `Een zeldzaam pareltje, prachtig geschreven en met personages die zich nestelen in je geheugen en in je hart. Amazon.com

'De regels gelden niet' is het verhaal van Ariel Levy, een vrouw die dacht dat ze de wereld aankon, en tegelijk een onvergetelijk portret van een generatie die worstelt met vrijheid als 'gift' van het feminisme. Op achtendertigjarige leeftijd ging Levy voor het tijdschrift 'The New Yorker' op reportage naar Mongolië. Ze was zwanger, getrouwd, financieel gezond - ze had, kortom, alles. Een maand later was daar niets meer van over. Ariel Levy slingert je door het verhaal van het onconventionele leven dat ze voor zichzelf smeedde - dat ze vervolgens te pletter zag slaan in een razendsnel tempo, en waarvan ze de scherven langzaam weer bij elkaar heeft geraapt.

Set during the early 1900s in a European town full of old traditions, The Four Orphans is an empowering and emotionally charged family history that evokes many thoughts and feelings within the reader as they follow the lives of the Gacek family. Following the tragic loss of their parents, newly orphaned Stefan, Maria, Anna, and Rebecca have no choice but to leave their heartbreak behind as they go through all the ups, downs, and mysteries life has to offer, alone.

'I squeezed through the narrow gap and out into the hallway and I stood for a moment, unable to decide where to go. Should I make a dash for the kitchen, where my mother would be swigging from a bottle? Or should I run upstairs and try to find somewhere to hide? It was a choice I didn't really need to make, because there was no escape' Anna Lowe grows up on the doorsteps of pubs, waiting for her mum to come out. Having to give up her bedroom to her mother's drunken friends. And regularly calling out the ambulance, after finding her mother unconscious and covered in vomit. But it is when they move in with her mother's boyfriend Carl that things take the ugliest turn. Not only is he violent with her mother, but he also sexually abuses Anna from the age of six - destroying any semblance of normal childhood she had left. Wake Up, Mummy is the heartbreaking true story of a little girl who eventually found the courage to break free from

the past.

Wij leugenaars (We were liars) van E. Lockhart is een onvergetelijk verhaal voor iedereen die genoten heeft van Een weeffout in onze sterren van John Green. Leugens, familiegeheimen en macht: niets is wat het lijkt in de wereld van de zeventienjarige Cadence. E. Lockhart schreef met Wij leugenaars een verpletterende roman voor jongeren en volwassenen. Wij zijn Sinclairs. Niemand komt iets tekort. Niemand heeft het ooit mis. We wonen - in de zomer tenminste - op een privé-eiland voor de kust van Massachusetts. Misschien is dat alles wat je hoeft te weten. Behalve dat sommigen van ons leugenaars zijn. Lees dit boek. En als iemand je vraagt hoe het eindigt, lieg.

The inspirational true story of one man overcoming enormous odds including sexual abuse from his alcoholic mother to choose his own path in life and become a truly exceptional human being. From the age of four David was sexually abused by his alcoholic mother. He didn't understand, but he didn't have a choice. Then one day it got much worse: his stepfather turned on him, too. The beatings always started when his mother left the house. But if the violence was terrible the betrayal was even more shattering: David's mother knew but did nothing to stop it. As the nightmare of his life grew worse, David turned to petty crime. For the first time he felt powerful and in control. But deep down he knew it would destroy him. Then, one night, he saw a programme on TV that changed everything. It sparked the life-long passion that would free him from his past and make his future worth living for. A heartbreaking story of abuse, betrayal and ultimate redemption.

Foster carer Maggie Hartley is used to receiving placements at short notice, but the arrival of seven-year-old Paris sees her handling one of her most heart-breaking cases yet. Paris arrives at Maggie's house with the police, after the traumatised little girl is found wandering the streets alone, sobbing that she can't wake up her baby brother. When the police eventually discover where Paris lives, they make a shocking discovery: her mum and stepdad are in a heroin-induced coma, and it's too late to save five-month-old baby Joel. Paris is convinced it's all her fault but slowly, through love and care, she begins to open up to Maggie and reveals the horrendous neglect and abuse she and her brother endured. Maggie is stunned to discover that Paris knows exactly how to make a bottle and change a nappy, and it soon becomes clear that this little girl was forced to shoulder the responsibility of looking after her baby brother singlehandedly. With both parents on remand in prison and charged with neglect, Maggie must slowly try to break down the wall of guilt surrounding this damaged little girl and help her heal from the trauma of her brother's death.

'Wow!!! Where to even begin?? Mind you, it's hard enough to write this with blurry eyes through tears!!... Absolutely heartbreaking and a real tear jerker.' Kirsty Whitlock ?????? Cara took a deep breath and let it out slowly. 'She's not just my daughter,' she said as she turned to face Jack. This man she had once loved, but who she hadn't seen for nearly five years. 'Sophie is your daughter too.' It is just past ten o'clock on a cold Friday evening when Rebecca and her husband Jack's doorbell rings. Outside is a woman who introduces herself as Jack's ex-girlfriend Cara. And she's holding the hand of a shivering, blue-eyed, four-year-old girl. Who she claims is Jack's daughter. Rebecca is shocked to discover he has a child from his last relationship – even one he hadn't known about. Because becoming parents isn't part of their life plan. They like children, but they also love their freedom and spending time together uninterrupted; the way that, if they wanted to, they could travel the world at a moment's notice. But Cara needs them. Because Cara has a devastating secret that she can't tell anyone yet. Not even her daughter. A secret with the power to change all of their lives. A secret that will ultimately mean Rebecca has to ask herself – could she find it in herself to welcome her husband's child into her home, and into her heart? A heartbreaking and powerful emotional women's fiction novel about love, friendship and what it truly means to be a parent, perfect for fans of Jojo Moyes, Jodi Picoult and Kate Hewitt.

Readers are loving My Husband's Daughter: 'Oh my days, what a tear jerker! I have such a book hangover!... I can't remember the last time I read a whole book in one sitting... I have been glued to the edge of my seat! I should mention that tissues are a must! I cried more than once (I lost count) and am still wiping away the tears as I write this. The story is so heart breaking but beautifully written that some parts had me both sad but smiling at the same time... Absolutely brilliant!!' Goodreads Reviewer ?????? 'I don't even know where to begin to review this absolutely gut-wrenching, beautiful story... I have never audibly sobbed or struggled to read a book through tears, but this one was tough.... I cannot express the need for everyone to read this book... It is just beautiful and I think it gives a lot for people to learn from in their own lives too.' Goodreads Reviewer ?????? 'Oh my goodness – what a beautiful, heart wrenching, ugly-cry-making book!... Twists and turns like you wouldn't expect from this genre, and just fantastic characterisation... it really really makes you think (and cry) – go read it!!!!' Goodreads Reviewer ?????? 'Blooming hell! What did Emma Robinson do to me with this book?... The most touching story I've read for a long time, so bravo to the author... An amazing story of compassion and selflessness... This is an absolutely brilliant five star read and not one to be missed!' NetGalley Reviewer ??????

'WHAT A TEAR JERKER... Keep the tissues really close to your side throughout... Will pull hard on your heart strings... If I could give this 10 stars I definitely would.' Goodreads Reviewer ?????? 'Will make you cry and laugh, feel things you have not even thought about ... A story that is so touching, extremely emotional, and ultimately heart provoking... I haven't read anything so original for a long time.' The Magical World of Reading ?????? 'Have a box, no two boxes, of tissues at the ready... A beautifully written, heart wrenching story of love and loss... It will stay with you.' Cypresscornerreads ?????? When Helen was 20, she met Garry Newlove at a local disco. They married in 1986 and had three daughters. On 10 August 2007, Garry was brutally beaten by a gang of youths outside the family home in Warrington. He died two days later. It was an act of violence that shocked the nation and would have a profound impact on the lives of Helen and her children. After the ordeal of a ten-week trial and the murder conviction of three youths, Helen held a press conference, giving a speech that attracted national media attention and propelled her into the role of a campaigner for victims' rights and against the lawlessness that blights so many of our towns and cities. In 2010, Helen was appointed a seat in the House of Lords among some of the most powerful and influential people in the country. Today, she is Baroness Newlove of Warrington, a tireless campaigner against antisocial behaviour and for

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the rights of victims and witnesses. In this engaging memoir, Helen recounts how her family was shattered by Garry's murder and how good unexpectedly came out of evil. Her remarkable story is not one of politics and committees; it is about real people and the impact that crime has on us all.

When I wake up in the middle of the night, it's not a sound that disturbs me. It's a feeling. Silently, I creep to my daughter's room, breathing a sigh of relief when I see her sleeping, her night-light twirling, butterfly shapes moving their pink wings. Quickly, I lock the door. I won't let anything happen to my little girl. You tell him everything. The husband you adore, the father of your child, your best friend. He knows, just by looking at your sage-green eyes, when something is wrong. The two of you can communicate with a glance, or a touch of the hand. Except what if you can't? What if your happy marriage has plastered over one huge lie? A lie you have even started to believe yourself, in order to survive? What if you have a secret, something you have hidden from your beloved husband and your strawberry-scented baby girl, to keep them safe? What if the guilt has kept you up, night after night, for as long as you can remember? Because, after twenty-eight years, that secret is refusing to stay buried. The past you have tried so desperately to outrun is catching up with you. A faded photograph, torn in half, threatens to expose the truth and everyone you love, everything you cherish, is in harm's way... An emotional, thought-provoking and beautifully written novel which examines the pieces of ourselves we are afraid of, and the impossible decisions we make when we are desperate. Fans of Jodi Picoult, Kerry Fisher and Liane Moriarty will be moved by this heartbreaking tale. Readers absolutely love *The Life She Left Behind*: 'Oh my... This was literally "un-put-downable"... This was not a book I could read chapter by chapter and take breaks in between, I NEEDED to keep going!... I know I will be thinking about this story for days... Amazing.' NetGalley Reviewer, ?????? 'What a fantastic book!! I absolutely loved it, and it is hands down the best book I've read this year so far... Amazing... I couldn't recommend it more highly. Now I'm off to buy several more of Trope's books to get stuck in to.' My Little Bookcase, ?????? 'Wow oh wow, what an absolutely gorgeous read. I devoured this beautiful book in just over an hour... I adored the writing style in this one, the author writes elegantly and in a way that just pulls you into the pages. I cannot say anything negative about this book, I have been truly engrossed and shocked by how quickly I read this one. I didn't want to put it down. This is definitely a beautiful read by a very talented author.' Goodreads Reviewer, ?????? 'Loved this book! Very emotional! Read it in 1 sitting!' Reading through the Looking Glass, ?????? 'A highly emotional read that had me hooked from the start. This is another fantastic book by Nicole Trope!' Goodreads Reviewer, ?????? 'Once I started this book, I couldn't put it down. It was that good. It was definitely emotional, and left me guessing until the end.' The One Where She Blogs, ?????? 'Page 1, I was hooked and couldn't put the book down... So enthralling.' Goodreads Reviewer, ?????? 'Loved it!... This is my third book by this author and they have all struck gold!... As soon as I picked it up, everything around me faded to grey... The author is a great storyteller and she enchanted me.' B for Bookreview, ?????? '5 stars! Nicole Trope continues to be one of my favourite authors! While her books aren't often easy to read due to their content, I'm always left amazed at her ability to tell a story so well... Very gripping and I found myself race through it. I think this one will stay with me for a while.' Goodreads Reviewer, ?????? 'Superbly written... Well worthy of 5 stars.' Goodreads Reviewer, ?????? 'Wow what an emotional book a rollercoaster of emotions... Definitely my number one book of the year.' NetGalley Reviewer, ??????

Een herkenbaar, hartveroverend boek dat de lezer diep raakt Een jaar lang leefde Stella Sweeney een New Yorkse droom: ze promoveerde haar succesvolle zelf hulpboek, deed mee aan talkshows in heel Amerika en leidde met haar kinderen een luxeleventje in een prachtig tienkamerappartement in de Upper West Side. Maar haar glamoureuze, opwindende leven was van korte duur. Nu zit ze weer op een zolderkamertje in Dublin, met een writer's block en een doos vol roze koeken. Ze doet alles om haar oude leven terug te krijgen. Maar kan dat wel? En wil ze het eigenlijk wel echt De pers over de boeken van Marian Keyes 'Binnen het genre van pageturners die een glimlach op je gezicht toveren, is Keyes een klasse apart.' Daily Express 'Glorieus grappig.' Sunday Times 'Marian Keyes: wat een genie!' Daily Mail

The Sundays Are For Mummy Story is a haunting, heartbreaking, but yet and in places, uplifting story of the author's experience in witnessing his mother develop the onset of dementia. Having a parent suffer from dementia is possibly one of life's most heartbreaking moments, as you are forced to confront the vulnerability of someone who, at one time, was the strongest person in your life. When a parent starts to forget, the biggest thing we worry about is how much longer our parents can continue to remember us. *Sundays Are For Mummy* Story is a personal story about dementia, love, guilt, hope, gains, and losses, told through the lens of a son's desperate struggle to hold on to his mother. While offering perspectives on coping with the disease, it is also a wake-up call to cherish time with our parents and anyone we love, while we still can.

An absolutely heartbreaking and gripping historical novel based on a true story, for fans of Suzanne Goldring, *Bridgerton* and *The Girl Behind the Gates*. ***FROM THE 4-MILLION COPY BESTSELLING AUTHOR*** ***RATED 5 STARS BY REAL READERS***

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