

# MAY BOOKNEWS 2020



# LEAD TITLES



## ***The Strangeworlds Travel Agency***

L. D. Lapinski \$19.99 PB

At the Strangeworlds Travel Agency, each suitcase transports you to a different world. All you have to do is step inside . . .

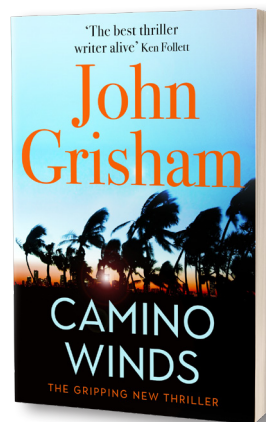
When 12-year-old Flick accidentally ends up in the Strangeworlds Travel Agency, she uncovers a fantastic secret: there are hundreds of other worlds just steps away from ours. All you have to do to visit them is jump into the right suitcase. But, unknown to Flick, the world at the very centre of it all, a city called Five Lights, is in danger. Buildings and even streets are mysteriously disappearing. Once Flick realizes what's happening she must race against time, travelling through uncharted worlds, seeking a way to fix Five Lights before it collapses into nothingness - and takes our world with it. A magical adventure for 9+ readers that will take you to whole new worlds.



## ***If It Bleeds***

Stephen King \$34.99 TPB

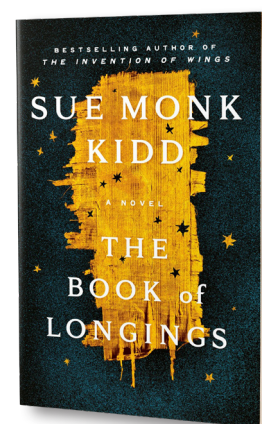
News people have a saying: 'If it bleeds, it leads'. And a bomb at Albert Macready Middle School is guaranteed to lead any bulletin. *If It Bleeds* is a stand-alone sequel to the No. 1 bestselling *The Outsider* featuring the incomparable Holly Gibney on her first solo case - and also the riveting title story in Stephen King's brilliant new collection of 4 long stories, each with a detailed introduction from the author.



## ***Camino Winds***

John Grisham \$34.99 TPB

The exceptional new thriller from bestselling author John Grisham in the *Camino Island* series. There's trouble in paradise with novelist heroine Mercer Mann when murder and intrigue combine in a breathless thriller set on a hurricane-lashed Florida island.



## ***The Book of Longings***

Sue Monk Kidd \$34.99 TPB

'I am Ana. I was the wife of Jesus.' So begins the exquisite new novel from the No. 1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Secret Life of Bees* and *The Invention of Wings*. Ana is a rebellious young woman, a gifted writer with a curious mind, who writes secret narratives about the neglected and silenced women around her. A chance encounter with the eighteen-year-old Jesus changes everything.



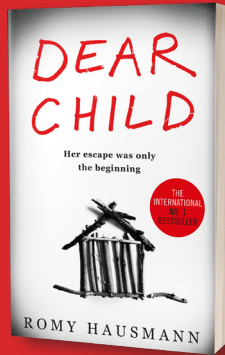
## ***The Ratline***

Philippe Sands \$37.99 TPB

The new book by the author of the *Sunday Times* bestseller *East West Street* - a historical detective story that sets out to uncover the truth behind leading Nazi Otto von Wächter. Indicted for mass murder after the war ended, Wachter went on the run, dying unexpectedly as he prepared to travel to Argentina on the 'ratline'. The mystery haunts Wachter's youngest child, who believes his father was a good man - what was Wachter doing while in hiding, and what exactly caused his death?



# CRIME/ THRILLER

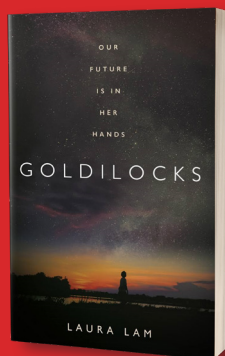


## Dear Child

Romy Hausmann \$34.99 TPB

Lena lives captive in a windowless shack, forced to bear her captor children. On her escape, the nightmare continues, but is she really the woman called 'Lena', who disappeared without a trace 14 years ago? The police and Lena's family are all desperately trying to piece together a puzzle that doesn't seem to fit.

# SCI-FI



## Goldilocks

Laura Lam \$34.99 TPB

Despite increasing restrictions on the freedoms of women on Earth, Valerie is spearheading the first all-female mission to a planet in the Goldilocks Zone, where conditions are just right for human habitation. But not everyone on the ship has good intentions...

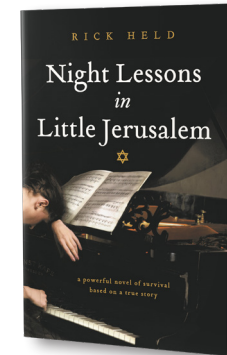
# GENERAL FICTION



## Six Tudor Queens: Katheryn Howard, The Tainted Queen

Alison Weir \$34.99 TPB

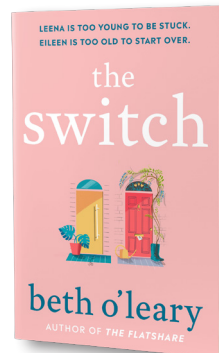
Alison Weir, historian and author of the bestselling *Six Tudor Queens* series, relates one of the most tragic stories in English history: Katheryn Howard, Henry VIII's fifth queen. History tells us she died too soon. This mesmerising novel brings her to life.



## Night Lessons in Little Jerusalem

Rick Held \$34.99 TPB

A powerful debut novel based on a true story for fans of *The Tattooist Of Auschwitz* and *All the Light We Cannot See*. Tholdi is a romantic, a musical prodigy whose future disappears the day he wakes to the terrors of war as Nazi allies attack his town of Czernowitz.



## The Switch

Beth O'Leary \$34.99 TPB

Eileen is sick of being 79, and her tiny Yorkshire village doesn't offer many opportunities for romance. Leena, on a forced sabbatical from her high powered job in London, is tired of life in her twenties. Maybe it's time they swapped places...

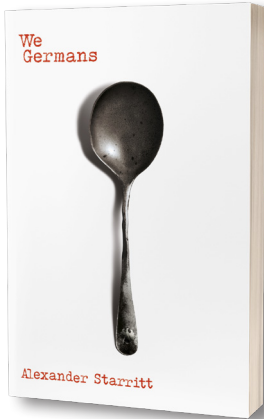


## Lion Heart

Ben Kane \$34.99 TPB

When Irish nobleman Ferdia saves the life of Richard Plantagenet, The Lionheart, he is taken as Richard's squire. But treachery and betrayal lurk around every corner, and the biggest threat to The Lionheart's life may not be a foreign army - but Richard's own family...

# LITERARY FICTION



## We Germans

Alexander Starritt \$29.99 TPB

After a young British man's German grandfather passes away, a long letter to his grandson is found. In it, he relates his experiences fighting on the wrong side of the war and the moment when he knows that not only will Germany lose the war, but that it deserves to.



## The Things She Owned

Katherine Tamiko Arguile \$ 34.99 TPB

Years after the death of her cruel and complicated mother, Erika's house is still full of the things Michiko left behind. Slowly, the objects reveal Michiko's youth amid the upheaval of Tokyo during and after the war, intertwining with Erika's own life.



## Heaven and Earth

Paolo Giordano \$37.99 TPB

An epic love story that spans twenty years and half the globe, from Puglia, Italy, to a frozen cave in Iceland. When Teresa meets three brothers one summer, she starts to learn that no bond is unbreakable and that no summer is truly endless.



## Battle of Britain

Simon Pearson and Ed Gorman  
\$37.99 TPB

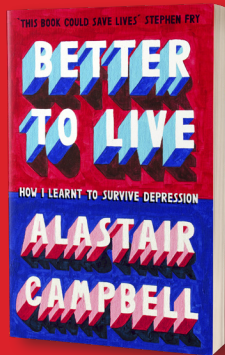
An original, 360-degree re-telling of the Battle of Britain through 18 of the iconic (and some less well-known) aircraft and the pilots who flew them – British, Polish, New Zealander, German, Danish – with courage, endeavour and humanity.

# NON-FICTION





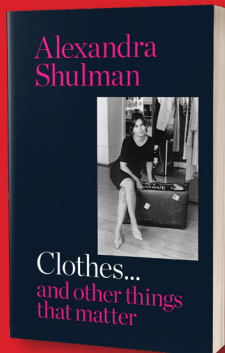
# MEMOIR



## Better to Live

Alastair Campbell \$37.99 TPB

“Last Christmas I almost killed myself. Almost. I’ve had a lot of almos<sup>t</sup>s.” Alastair Campbell, Press Secretary to the former British Prime Minister Tony Blair, provides an honest and life-affirming account of his lifelong struggle with depression.



## Clothes...and Other Things That Matter

Alexandra Shulman \$39.99 HB

Part memoir, part fashion history, part social commentary, former Vogue UK editor Alexandra Shulman’s brilliant new book explores the meaning of clothes and how we wear them.

# COOKING



## Deliciously Ella: Making Plant-Based Quick and Easy

Ella Mills \$34.99 TPB

Ella’s new collection shows us that vegan cooking doesn’t have to be difficult or time-consuming. It’s easy to embrace a plant-based lifestyle with her fuss-free, simple recipes that cater for our busy lives.

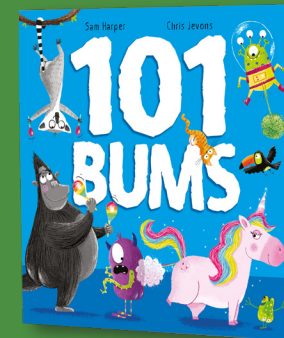


## Harumi’s Japanese Kitchen

Harumi Kurihara \$39.99 HB

Harumi Kurihara takes cooking back to basics and shows you how to master Japanese recipes to impress friends and family. With an enticing design and foolproof step-by-step photography, Harumi presents 53 recipes in her trademark approachable style.

# KIDS



## 101 BUMS

Sam Harper \$19.99 PB

A laugh-out-loud silly rhyming picture book, featuring 101 different animal bums! This brilliantly silly picture book is sure to get children giggling. Just follow the bouncy read-aloud rhyme, then get ready to join in with the jiggly wiggly dance finale!

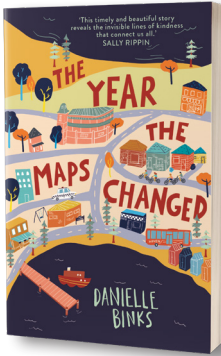


## Knock Knock Superhero

Caryl Hart \$19.99 PB

Knock, knock! There’s a superhero at the door! Pasta Man has run out of Pasta Power...Can our young hero help him to get his powers back and defeat evil Madame Chilli, who wants to rule the world with lashings of chilli sauce?

# KIDS / YA



## The Year The Maps Changed

Danielle Binks \$19.99 PB

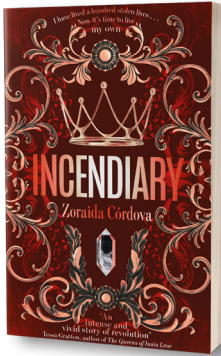
A middle-grade coming-of-age story about the bonds of family, the weight of grief and the power of compassion. A timely book set against the backdrop of Australia's 1999 Operation Safe Haven, when the government welcomed 6,000 Kosovar Albanian refugees into 'safe havens' around the country.



## Girl, Serpent, Thorn

Melissa Bashardoust \$24.99 TPB

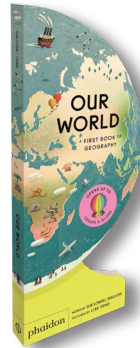
There was and there was not, as all stories begin, a princess cursed to be poisonous to the touch. But for Soraya, who has lived her life hidden away, apart from her family and safe only in her gardens, it's not just a story.



## Incendiary

Zoraida Córdova \$24.99 TPB

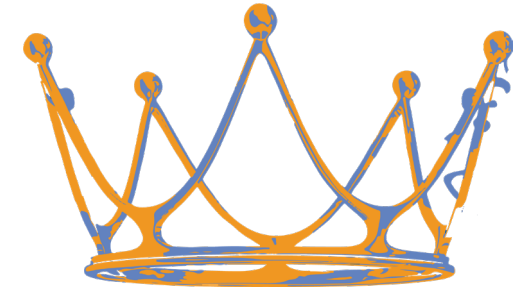
An epic tale of love and revenge set in a world inspired by Inquisition-era Spain pits the magical Moria people against a terrifying royal authority. Magic warrior-thief Renata is trained in the art of stealing memories, but could she also be the key to her people's survival?



## Our World: A First Book Of Geography

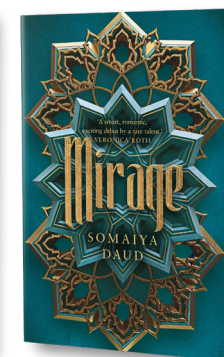
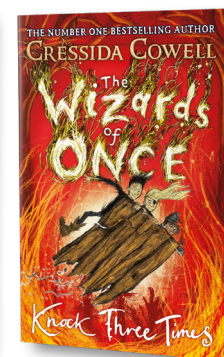
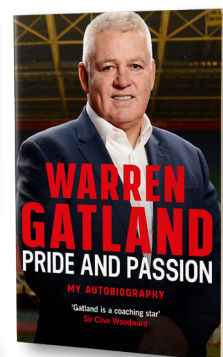
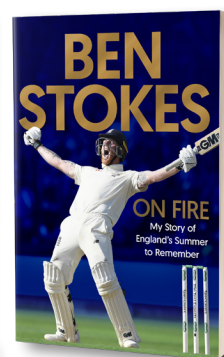
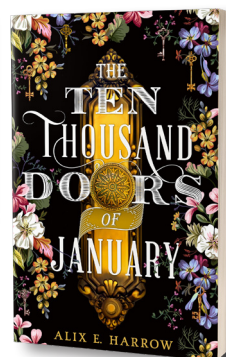
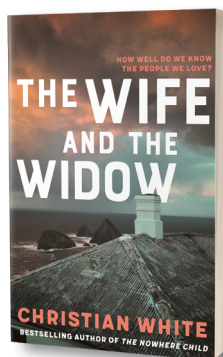
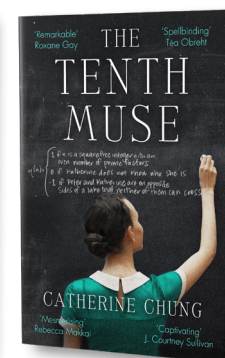
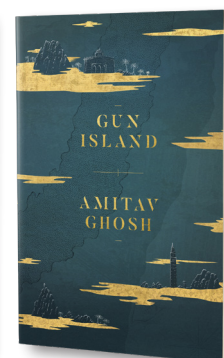
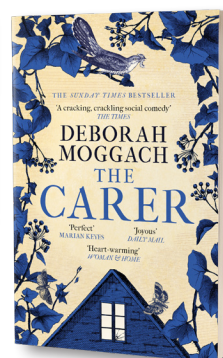
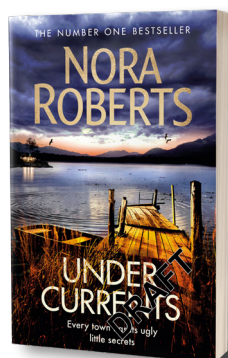
Sue Lowell Gallion and Lisk Feng \$29.99 BB

A read-aloud introduction to geography for young children that, when opened and folded back, creates a freestanding globe. Children are invited to identify and experience the Earth's amazing geography through rhyming verse and lush illustrations.





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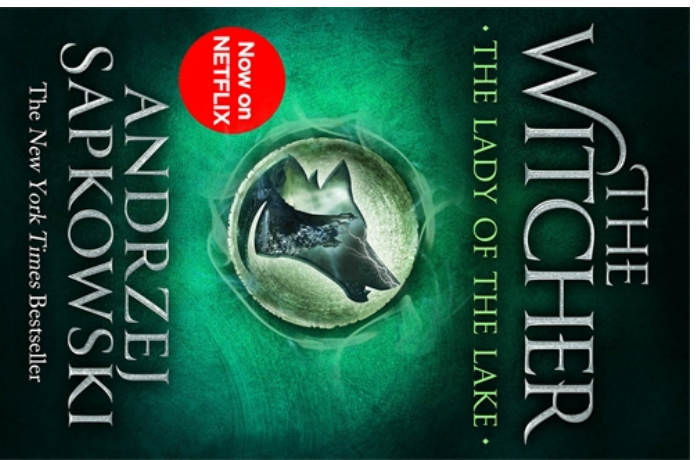
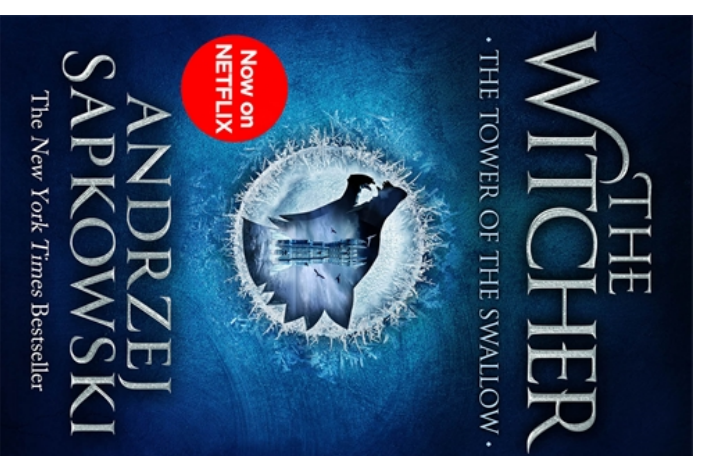
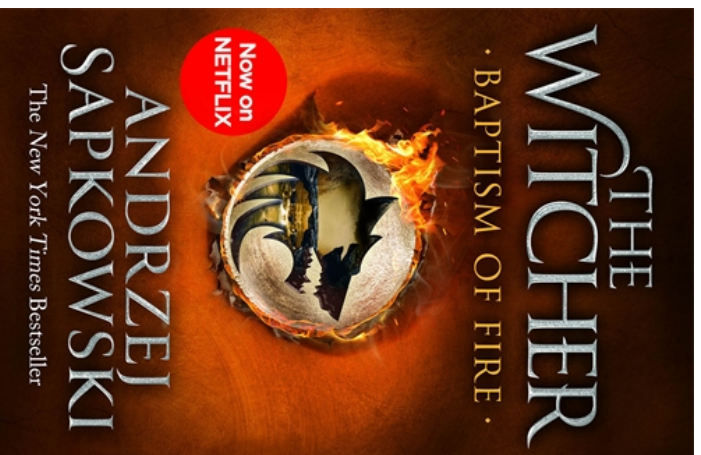
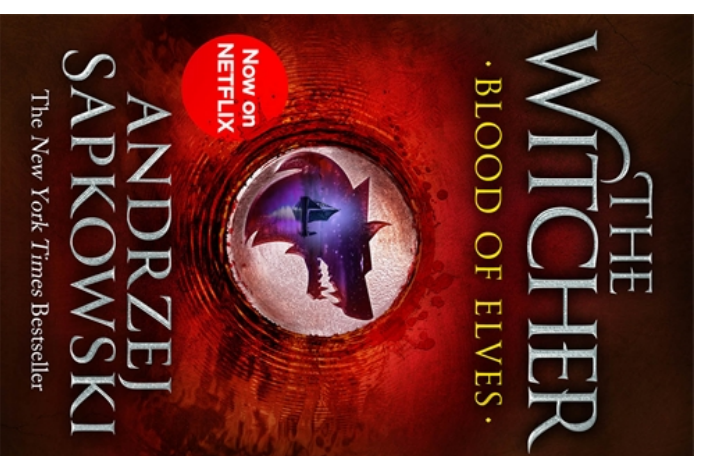
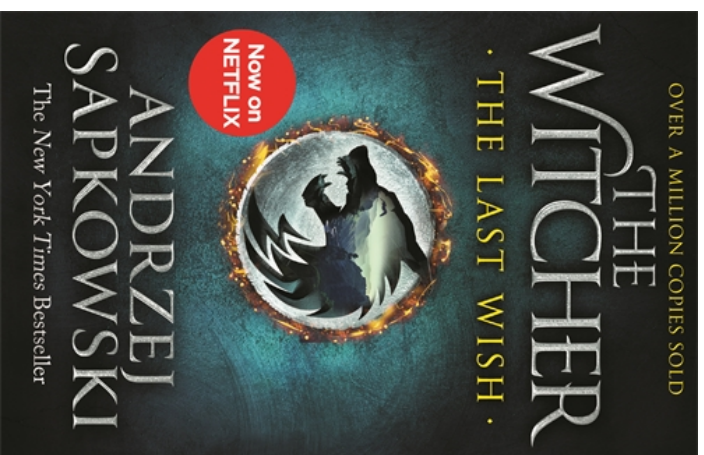
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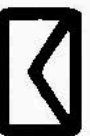
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