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*A Good Morning
America Buzz Pick
A Library Reads
Pick June Jones
emerges from her
shell to fight for her
beloved local library,
and through the*

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efforts and support of an eclectic group of library patrons, she discovers life-changing friendships along the way.

Lonely librarian June Jones has never left the sleepy English village where she grew up. Shy and reclusive, the thirty-year-old would

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rather spend her time buried in books than venture out into the world. But when her library is threatened with closure, June is forced to emerge from behind the shelves to save the heart of her community and the place that holds the

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dearest memories of her mother. Joining a band of eccentric yet dedicated locals in a campaign to keep the library, June opens herself up to other people for the first time since her mother died. It just so happens that her old school friend Alex

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Chen is back in town and willing to lend a helping hand. The kindhearted lawyer's feelings for her are obvious to everyone but June, who won't believe that anyone could ever care for her in that way. To save the place and the books that mean so much to her,

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June must finally make some changes to her life. For once, she's determined not to go down without a fight. And maybe, in fighting for her cherished library, June can save herself, too.

From the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of All the

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Light We Cannot See, perhaps the most bestselling and beloved literary fiction of our time, comes a triumph of imagination and compassion, a soaring novel about children on the cusp of adulthood in a broken world, who find resilience, hope,

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and story. The heroes of Cloud Cuckoo Land are trying to figure out the world around them: Anna and Omeir, on opposite sides of the formidable city walls during the 1453 siege of Constantinople; teenage idealist

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Seymour in an attack on a public library in present day Idaho; and Konstance, on an interstellar ship bound for an exoplanet, decades from now. Like Marie-Laure and Werner in All the Light We Cannot See, Anna, Omeir,

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Seymour, and Konstance are dreamers and outsiders who find resourcefulness and hope in the midst of peril. An ancient text—the story of Aethon, who longs to be turned into a bird so that he can fly to a utopian paradise in the

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*sky—provides
solace and mystery
to these
unforgettable
characters. Doerr
has created a
tapestry of times and
places that reflects
our vast interconnec
tedness—with other
species, with each
other, with those
who lived before us*

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*and those who will
be here after we're
gone. Dedicated to
"the librarians then,
now, and in the
years to come,"
Cloud Cuckoo Land
is a hauntingly
beautiful and
redemptive novel
about
stewardship—of the
book, of the Earth,*

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*of the human heart.
"Hollywood, 1938.
As soon as she
learns that MGM is
adapting her late
husband's
masterpiece for the
screen, seventy-
seven-year-old
Maud Gage Baum
sets about trying to
finagle her way onto
the set. Nineteen*

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years after Frank's passing, Maud is the only person who can help the producers stay true to the spirit of the book ... But the moment she hears Judy Garland rehearsing the first notes of 'Over the Rainbow,' Maud recognizes the yearning that

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defined her own life story: from her youth as a suffragette's daughter to her coming of age as one of the first women in the Ivy League, from her blossoming romance with Frank to the hardscrabble prairie years that inspired The Wonderful

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Wizard of Oz"

♥♥ *The Most*

Dangerous Game by

Richard Connell ♥♥

The Most

Dangerous Game,

also published as

The Hounds of

Zaroff, is a short

story by Richard

Connell first

published in Collier's

magazine on

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January 19, 1924. It features a big-game hunter from New York who falls off a yacht and swims to an isolated island in the Caribbean where he is hunted by a Cossack aristocrat. The story is an adaptation of the big-game hunting safaris in

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*Africa and South
America that were
fashionable among
wealthy Americans
in the 1920s. ♥♥*

*The Most
Dangerous Game by
Richard Connell ♥♥*

*Big-game hunter
Sanger Rainsford
and his friend,
Whitney, are
traveling to the*

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Amazon rainforest for a jaguar hunt. After a discussion about how they are "the hunters" instead of "the hunted," Whitney goes to bed and Rainsford hears gunshots. He climbs onto the yacht's rail and accidentally falls overboard, swimming to Ship-

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Trap Island, which is notorious for shipwrecks. On the island, he finds a palatial chateau inhabited by two Cossacks: the owner, General Zaroff, and his gigantic deaf-mute servant, Ivan. ♥♥

The Most Dangerous Game by

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*Richard Connell ♥♥
Zaroff, another big-
game hunter, knows
of Rainsford from his
published account of
hunting snow
leopards in Tibet.
Over dinner, the
middle-aged Zaroff
explains that
although he has
been hunting
animals since he*

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was a boy, he has decided that killing big-game has become boring for him, so after escaping the Russian Revolution he moved to Ship-Trap Island and set it up to trick ships into wrecking themselves on the jagged rocks that

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surround it. He takes the survivors captive and hunts them for sport, giving them food, clothing, a knife, and a three-hour head start, and using only a small-caliber pistol for himself. Any captives who can elude Zaroff, Ivan, and a pack of

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hunting dogs for three days are set free. He reveals that he has won every hunt to date.

Captives are offered a choice between being hunted or turned over to Ivan, who once served as official knouter for The Great White Czar. Rainsford

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denounces the hunt as barbarism, but Zaroff replies by claiming that "life is for the strong."

Realizing he has no way out, Rainsford reluctantly agrees to be hunted. During his head start, Rainsford lays an intricate trail in the forest and then

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climbs a tree. Zaroff finds him easily, but decides to play with him as a cat would with a mouse, standing underneath the tree Rainsford is hiding in, smoking a cigarette, and then abruptly departing.

♥♥ *The Most Dangerous Game* by
Richard Connell ♥♥

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After the failed attempt at eluding Zaroff, Rainsford builds a Malay man-catcher, a weighted log attached to a trigger. This contraption injures Zaroff's shoulder, causing him to return home for the night, but he shouts his respect for the

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trap before departing. The next day Rainsford creates a Burmese tiger pit, which kills one of Zaroff's hounds. He sacrifices his knife and ties it to a sapling to make another trap, which kills Ivan when he stumbles into it. To

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escape Zaroff and his approaching hounds, Rainsford dives off a cliff into the sea; Zaroff, disappointed at Rainsford's apparent suicide, returns home. Zaroff smokes a pipe by his fireplace, but two issues keep him from the peace of

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mind: the difficulty of replacing Ivan and the uncertainty of whether Rainsford perished in his dive.

*The Incurrible
Children of Ashton
Place: Book II
Charlie and the
Chocolate Factory
Matilda by Roald
Dahl (Book
Analysis)*

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*The Hidden Gallery
Phizz-Whizzing
Stories - Gobblefunk*
**Willy Wonka's
famous
chocolate
factory is
opening at
last! But only
five lucky
children will
be allowed**

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inside. And
the winners
are: Augustus
Gloop, an
enormously fat
boy whose
hobby is
eating; Veruca
Salt, a
spoiled-rotten
brat whose
parents are

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wrapped around
her little
finger; Violet
Beauregarde, a
dim-witted gum-
chewer with
the fastest
jaws around;
Mike Teavee, a
toy pistol-
toting gangste
r-in-training

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who is
obsessed with
television;
and Charlie
Bucket, Our
Hero, a boy
who is honest
and kind,
brave and
true, and good
and ready for
the wildest

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time of his
life!

Matilda is a
baby genius.
There are
indicators and
behaviours
which she
exhibits
instinctively.
Roald Dahl has
created a

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round

character in
Matilda as she
needs guidance
in navigating
relationships.
Miss Honey is
one of the
characters who
provide
guidance and
nurturing in a

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collaborative
manner. Above
all her
instinctively
balanced
maturity and
wisdom dictate
her choices
setting her
apart and
ahead of the
rest. Easy to

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Questions

use Yes/No,
True/False,
Multiple
Choice, Short
Answers,
Extended
Response,
Essay
Questions and
Design
Questions.
Man from the

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South is a short, sharp, chilling story from Roald Dahl, the master of the shocking tale. In Man from the South, Roald Dahl, one of the world's

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favourite
authors, tells
a sinister
story about
the darker
side of human
nature. Here,
a man takes
part in a very
unusual bet,
one with
appalling

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consequences .

. . Man from
the South is
taken from the
short story
collection
Someone Like
You, which
includes
seventeen
other devious
and shocking

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stories,
featuring the
wife who
serves a dish
that baffles
the police; a
curious
machine that
reveals the
horrifying
truth about
plants; the

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man waiting to
be bitten by
the venomous
snake asleep
on his
stomach; and
others. 'The
absolute
master of the
twist in the
tale.'

(Observer)

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This story is also available as a Penguin digital audio download read by Stephen Mangan. Roald Dahl, the brilliant and worldwide acclaimed author of

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Charlie and
the Chocolate
Factory, James
and the Giant
Peach,
Matilda, and
many more
classics for
children, also
wrote scores
of short
stories for

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adults. These
delightfully
disturbing
tales have
often been
filmed and
were most
recently the
inspiration
for the West
End play,
Roald Dahl's

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Twisted Tales
by Jeremy
Dyson. Roald
Dahl's stories
continue to
make readers
shiver today.
Miss
Trunchbull's
dominant trait
is
callousness.

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Her approach
is
emasculating
and her
appearance is
masculine. Yet
the colour
green
symbolizes her
immaturity. It
is ironic that
in her

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immaturity she
sets up win-
win situations
which are
quite extreme.
Easy to use
yes/no,
true/false,
multiple
choice, short
answer
questions,

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Questions
extended

response and
essay writing
questions.

No Longer a
Nobody

The BFG

(Colour
Edition)

Cloud Cuckoo

Land (Large

Print Edition)

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Questions
**Because I Can
with Roald
Dahl's Matilda
: Miss
Trunchbull**

*Collecting quotes for
the obituary of a
legendary film
producer, young
journalist Thomas
Cleary is invited by the
man's eccentric*

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daughter to tour the exclusive upper echelons of Hollywood society, where he pursues a romance with an enigmatic shut-in. Never before has school been this mixed up-or this much fun! Miss Daisy, who teaches second grade, doesn't know how to add or subtract. Not only that, she doesn't know how to

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read or write, either.

*She is the dumbest
teacher in the history of
the world!*

*For readers of Paula
McLain, Nancy Horan,
and Melanie Benjamin,
this captivating novel is
inspired by a little-
known interlude in the
artist's life. "A tasty
blend of romance,
mystery, and French
cooking."--Margaret*

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Atwood, via Twitter The French Riviera, spring 1936: It's off-season in the lovely seaside village of Juan-les-Pins, where seventeen-year-old Ondine cooks with her mother in the kitchen of their family-owned Café Paradis. A mysterious new patron who's slipped out of Paris and is traveling under a different name

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has made an unusual request--to have his lunch served to him at the nearby villa he's secretly rented, where he wishes to remain incognito. Pablo Picasso is at a momentous crossroads in his personal and professional life--and for him, art and women are always entwined. The spirited Ondine,

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chafing under her family's authority and nursing a broken heart, is just beginning to discover her own talents and appetites. Her encounter with Picasso will continue to affect her life for many decades onward, as the great artist and the talented young chef each pursue their own passions and destiny.

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New York, present day: Céline, a Hollywood makeup artist who's come home for the holidays, learns from her mother, Julie, that Grandmother Ondine once cooked for Picasso. Prompted by her mother's enigmatic stories and the hint of more family secrets yet to be uncovered, Céline carries out Julie's

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wishes and embarks on a voyage to the very town where Ondine and Picasso first met. In the lush, heady atmosphere of the Côte d'Azur, and with the help of several eccentric fellow guests attending a rigorous cooking class at her hotel, Céline discovers truths about art, culture, cuisine, and love that enable her to

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embrace her own future. Featuring an array of both fictional characters and the French Riviera's most famous historical residents, set against the breathtaking scenery of the South of France, Cooking for Picasso is a touching, delectable, and wise story, illuminating the powers of trust, money, art, and

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creativity in the choices that men and women make as they seek a path toward love, success, and joie de vivre. Praise for Cooking for Picasso "Intrigue, art, food, and deception are woven together in a tale of love and betrayal around the life and legacy of Picasso. Touching and true, this

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*well-written narrative
made me long for my
mother's coq au vin and
for the sun of Juan-les-
Pins."--Jacques Pépin,
chef, TV personality,
author*

*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*

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***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***

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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

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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

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*forthright exploration
of mature themes like
death and hope.”*

—TIME Magazine

Miss Daisy Is Crazy!

Speak

Running with Sherman

Blood Orange

Matilda

This Module Because

I Can with Roald

Dahl ' s Matilda:

Lavender is part of a

course of study on

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themes in Matilda;
comprised of the easy
to use following
activities: yes/no
questions, true/false
questions, short
answer, multiple
choice, extended
response, essay
writing and personal
response etc. In
Roald Dahl ' s novel
Matilda the character
Lavender is a

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courageous and
Matilda ' s friend. She
wants to belong and
is looking for a way to
do that. Enjoy this
easy to use
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Can with Roald Dahl ' s
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Nine Visual Literacy
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Sawilski, lulu.com
Three farmers, each
one meaner than the
other, try all-out
warfare to get rid of
the fox and his family.
In this State

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by setting a purpose for reading. They stimulate background knowledge and experience, and guide students to make connections between what they know and what they will learn. The After You Read activities check students' comprehension and extend their learning.

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develop students' critical thinking and writing skills, and analysis of the text.

About the Novel:

Matilda is the charming story of a very unusual little girl, Matilda, who despite having two very horrible parents, learns how to read by the age of three.

There are many other

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things about Matilda that are very special. She can solve arithmetic problems very quickly in her head, and she can move things about with the power of thought. Despite all of this she is a most pleasant little girl who is well liked by her classmates and by her wonderful

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teacher, Miss Honey. Matilda discovers the headmistress of the school, Miss Trunchbull, is actually Miss Honey ' s aunt and has cheated her out of her inheritance. Matilda sets her mind to work, and in the end Miss Honey recovers her stolen inheritance and adopts Matilda. All of

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THE USA TODAY
BESTSELLER!

"Remarkable debut....
[a] nearly flawless tale
of loss, perseverance
and redemption."—Pu
blishers Weekly,
STARRED review Set
in 1920s Mississippi,

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this debut Southern novel weaves a beautiful and harrowing story of two teenage girls cast in an unlikely partnership through murder—perfect for readers of *Where the Crawdads Sing* and *If the Creek Don't Rise*. Ada promised herself she would never go back to the Trace, to

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her hard life on the swamp and her harsh father. But now, after running away to Baton Rouge and briefly knowing a different kind of life, she finds herself with nowhere to go but back home. And she knows there will be a price to pay with her father. Matilda, daughter of a

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sharecropper, is from the other side of the Trace. Doing what she can to protect her family from the whims and demands of some particularly callous locals is an ongoing struggle. She forms a plan to go north, to pack up the secrets she's holding about her life in the South and hang them on the

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line for all to see in Ohio. As the two girls are drawn deeper into a dangerous world of bootleggers and moral corruption, they must come to terms with the complexities of their tenuous bond and a hidden past that links them in ways that could cost them their lives.

An Unkindness of

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Ghosts

The Godmothers

The Ballad of Lucy

Whipple (rpkg)

Queen Consort,

Queen Mother and

Lady of the English

Man from the South

(A Roald Dahl Short
Story)

Sammy feels like a
nobody until he
develops an

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understanding of his importance to God while caring for his new pet snail.

It's late summer 1793, and the

streets of

Philadelphia are abuzz with

mosquitoes and rumors of fever.

Down near the docks, many have

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taken ill, and the fatalities are mounting. Now they include Polly, the serving girl at the Cook Coffeehouse. But fourteen-year-old Mattie Cook doesn't get a moment to mourn the passing of her childhood playmate. New customers

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have overrun her family's coffee shop, located far from the mosquito-infested river, and Mattie's concerns of fever are all but overshadowed by dreams of growing her family's small business into a thriving enterprise. But when the fever

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begins to strike closer to home, Mattie's struggle to build a new life must give way to a new fight-the fight to stay alive.

A Best Book of
2017: The Guardian
(SF and Fantasy),
NPR Book
Concierge,
Publishers Weekly

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(SF/F), Library
Journal (SF/F),
Bustle (Fiction),
Bookish (Best Book
to Give), Barnes &
Noble (SF and
Fantasy/Alternate
Universe Pick).
2018 Locus Award
Finalist (First Novel)
CLMP Firecracker
Award Winner John
W. Campbell Award

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for Best New Writer,
Finalist Lambda
Literary Award
Finalist, LGBTQ
SF/F/Horror A
Stonewall Book
Award Honor Book
Included in the
American Library
Association's
GLBTRT 2019 Over
the Rainbow List
Included in

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Hypable's list of book recommendations related to Captain Marvel "What Solomon achieves with this debut--the sharpness, the depth, the precision--puts me in mind of a syringe full of stars. I want to say about this

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book, its only
imperfection is that
it ended. But that
might give the
wrong impression:
that it is a happy
book, a book that
makes a body feel
good. It is not a
happy book. I love it
like I love food, I
love it for what it did
to me, I love it for

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having made me
feel stronger and
more sure in a
nightmare world, but
it is not a happy
book. It is an
antidote to poison. It
is inoculation
against pervasive,
enduring disease.
Like a vaccine, it is
briefly painful,
leaves a lingering

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soreness, but
armors you from the
inside out." --NPR
"Ghosts are 'the
past refusing to be
forgot,' says a
character in this
assured science-
fiction debut. That's
certainly the case
aboard the HSS
Matilda, a massive
spacecraft arranged

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along the cruel
racial divides of pre-
Civil War America."
--Toronto Star "This
novel from an
exciting new voice
follows Aster, who
lives in the slums of
a spaceship that is
escorting the last
survivors of
humanity to a
Promised Land--a

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journey that has taken decades so far. The vessel is segregated and cruel, and as she tries to escape, she starts discovering dark connections between her own mother's death and the fate of the ship's sovereign. Solomon has already been

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called a successor
to Octavia Butler,
rightly so." --Elle UK

"In Rivers

Solomon's highly
imaginative sci-fi
novel An

Unkindness of

Ghosts, eccentric

Aster was born into

slavery on--and is

trying to escape

from--a brutally

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segregated
spaceship that for
generations has
been trying to escort
the last humans
from a dying planet
to a Promised Land.
When she discovers
clues about the
circumstances of
her mother's death,
she also comes
closer to disturbing

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truths about the ship
and its journey."

--Buzzfeed "Rivers
Solomon's debut
science fiction novel
is cunning, dark,
and unapologetic;
atmospheric and
visceral; the kind of
story that pulls you
in and doesn't let
go. Aboard the HSS
Matilda, a spaceship

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in the future,
Solomon and her
characters deftly
tackle race, identity,
sexuality, gender,
poverty, and
discrimination, all
with thoughtful
insight and thrilling
intensity. This is a
difficult work that
pays off; the rare
kind of book that

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stays with you for years. You should read it now--I plan to read it again."

--Shondaland Aster has little to offer folks in the way of rebuttal when they call her ogre and freak. She's used to the names; she only wishes there was more truth to them.

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If she were truly a monster, she'd be powerful enough to tear down the walls around her until nothing remains of her world. Aster lives in the lowdeck slums of the HSS Matilda, a space vessel organized much like the antebellum South.

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For generations, Matilda has ferried the last of humanity to a mythical Promised Land. On its way, the ship's leaders have imposed harsh moral restrictions and deep indignities on dark-skinned sharecroppers like Aster. Embroiled in

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a grudge with a brutal overseer, Aster learns there may be a way to improve her lot--if she's willing to sow the seeds of civil war.

"Did Mama sing every day?" Caleb asks his sister Anna. "Every-single-day," she answers.

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"Papa sang, too."

Their mother died the day after Caleb was born. Their house on the prairie is quiet now, and Papa doesn't sing anymore. Then Papa puts an ad in the paper, asking for a wife, and he receives a letter from one Sarah

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Elisabeth Wheaton,
of Maine. Papa,
Anna, and Caleb
write back. Caleb
asks if she sings.
Sarah decides to
come for a month.
She writes Papa: I
will come by train. I
will wear a yellow
bonnet. I am plain
and tall, and Tell
them I sing. Anna

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and Caleb wait and wonder. Will Sarah be nice? Will she like them? Will she stay?

first

A Novel

Woman and Identity
in Australia, 1788 to
the Present

Mister Pip

Finding Dorothy

'Human beans is not

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*really believing in
giants, is they?
Human beans is not
thinking we exist.'
On a dark, silvery
moonlit night,
Sophie is snatched
from her bed by a
giant. Luckily it is
the Big Friendly
Giant, the BFG, who
only eats
snozzcumbers and
glugs frobscottle.*

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their trailer. The grown-ups mutter about sins and punishment, but that doesn't scare Misty. Not like the hurtful thing that's been happening to her, the hurtful thing that is becoming part of her. Ever since her neighbor William cornered her in the barn, she must

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"Ashley Blooms sings in an authentic mountain

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***voice...Like a hawk
over a hollow,
Blooms both soars
and sees all."*—Andy
Duncan, author of
An Agent of Utopia
It's 1972, and
across Australia the
catchcry is 'It's
time'. Time for old
folk, time for young
folk, time for a new,
idealistic Labor
government. In**

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Gibber's Creek, it's time for Jed Kelly to choose between past love, Nicholas, the local Labor member, and Sam from the Halfway to Eternity commune. And for Scarlett O'Hara, it's time to dream that one day she becomes a doctor - despite being in a

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***wheelchair. It's also
time for matriarch
Matilda Thompson
to reflect on the life
that took her from
the slums of
Grinder's Alley to
the events that
began a nation at a
billabong in 1894.
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of a better world, but***

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as the ideals drifted from disaster to the Dismissal there were deep conflicts about what that better world might be. Jackie French, author of the bestselling To Love a Sunburnt Country, has woven her own experience of that period into an unforgettable story

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***of a small rural
community and a
nation swept into
the social and
political tumult of
the early 1970s.
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groundbreaking
novel from Laurie
Halse Anderson,
with more than 2.5
million copies sold!
The first ten lies
they tell you in high***

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***school. "Speak up for yourself--we want to know what you have to say."
From the first moment of her freshman year at Merryweather High, Melinda knows this is a big fat lie, part of the nonsense of high school. She is friendless, outcast, because she busted***

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an end-of-summer party by calling the cops, so now nobody will talk to her, let alone listen to her. As time passes, she becomes increasingly isolated and practically stops talking altogether. Only her art class offers any solace, and it is

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through her work on an art project that she is finally able to face what really happened at that terrible party: she was raped by an upperclassman, a guy who still attends Merryweather and is still a threat to her. Her healing process has just begun when she has another

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exceptional young
girl, but her
parents think she's
just a nuisance.
She expects
school to be
different but there
she has to face
Miss Trunchbull, a
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hating

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musical, adapted
by Dennis Kelly
with music and
lyrics by Tim
Minchin.

Into the
fascinating,
pungent setting of
Blood and Bone
Alley, home of
leech, barber-

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surgeon, and apothecary, comes Matilda, raised by a priest to disdain worldly affairs and focus on spiritual matters. To Matilda's dismay, her work will not involve Latin or writing, but practical tasks:

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lighting the fire,
going to market,
mixing plasters
and poultices, and
helping Peg treat
patients. She is
appalled by the
worldliness of her
new surroundings,
and the sharp-
tongued saints she
turns to for advice

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are no help at all.
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dialogue and richly
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Cushman's work
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compelling comic
novel about a girl
who learns to see
herself and others

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clearly, to laugh,
and to live
contentedly in this
world. Author's
note.

"A group of deeply
complex and
beautifully written
women . . . Aubray
marries history,
suspense and
womanhood in a

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story perfect for devouring.”—Newsweek For readers of Naomi Krupitsky's *The Family!* An irresistible, suspenseful novel about four women who marry into an elegant, prosperous Italian family, and then

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must take charge of the family's business when their husbands are forced to leave them during the war. Meet the Godmothers: Filomena is a clever and resourceful war refugee with a

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childhood secret.
Amie, a beautiful
and dreamy
French girl from
upstate New York,
escapes an
abusive husband
for a new life.
Lucy, a tough-as-
nails Irish lass,
runs away from a
strict girls' home

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to become a nurse. And the glamorous Petrina, the family's only daughter, graduates with honors from Barnard College despite a past trauma that nearly caused a family scandal. All four

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women become
godmothers to one
another's children,
finding hope and
shelter in this
prosperous family
and their
sumptuous
Greenwich Village
home. But the
women's secret
pasts lead to

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unforeseen consequences and betrayals that threaten to unravel all their carefully laid plans. And when they must unexpectedly contend with notorious gangsters like Frank Costello and

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***author of The
Girl Who Came
Home comes a
historical
novel inspired
by true
events, and
the
extraordinary
female
lighthouse
keepers of the***

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*past two
hundred years.
“They call me
a heroine, but
I am not
deserving of
such
accolades. I
am just an
ordinary young
woman who did
her duty.”*

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***1838: Northumb
erland,
England.
Longstone
Lighthouse on
the Farne
Islands has
been Grace
Darling's home
for all of her
twenty-two
years. When***

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*she and her
father rescue
shipwreck
survivors in a
furious storm,
Grace becomes
celebrated
throughout
England, the
subject of
poems,
ballads, and*

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plays. But far more precious than her unsought fame is the friendship that develops between Grace and a visiting artist. Just as George
Emmerson

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*captures Grace
with his
brushes, she
in turn
captures his
heart. 1938:
Newport, Rhode
Island. Ninete
en-years-old
and pregnant,
Matilda
Emmerson has*

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*been sent away
from Ireland
in disgrace.
She is to stay
with Harriet,
a reclusive
relative and
assistant
lighthouse
keeper, until
her baby is
born. A*

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*discarded,
half-finished
portrait opens
a window into
Matilda's
family
history. As a
deadly
hurricane
approaches,
two women,
living a*

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*century apart,
will be linked
forever by
their
instinctive
acts of
courage and
love.*

*Of especially
naughty
children it is
sometimes*

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said, "They must have been raised by wolves." The Incorrigible children actually were. Thanks to the efforts of Miss Penelope Lumley, their plucky

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***governess,
Alexander,
Beowulf, and
Cassiopeia are
much more like
children than
wolf pups now.
They are
accustomed to
wearing
clothes. They
hardly ever***

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*howl at the
moon. And for
the most part,
they resist
the urge to
chase
squirrels up
trees. Despite
Penelope's
civilizing
influence, the
Incorrigibles*

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*still managed
to ruin Lady
Constance's
Christmas
ball, nearly
destroying the
grand house.
So while
Ashton Place
is being
restored,
Penelope, the*

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Ashtons, and the children take up residence in London.

Penelope is thrilled, as London offers so many opportunities to further the education of

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*her unique
students. But
the city
presents
challenges,
too, in the
form of the
palace guards'
bearskin hats,
which drive
the children
wild—not to*

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*mention the
abundance of
pigeons the
Incorrigibles
love to hunt.
As they
explore
London,
however, they
discover more
about
themselves as*

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***clues about
the
children's—and
Penelope's—mys-
terious past
crop up in the
most
unexpected
ways. . . .***

***Phizz-Whizzing
Stories - Gobb
lefunkBonacia***

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***Limited Fever
1793 Simon and
Schuster
After the
trouble starts
and the
soldiers
arrive on
Matilda's
island, only
one white
person stays***

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behind. Mr. Watts, whom the kids call Pop Eye, wears a red nose and pulls his wife around on a trolley, and he steps in to teach the children when there is no

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one else. His only lessons consist of reading from his battered copy of Great Expectations, a book by his friend Mr. Dickens. For Matilda, Dickens's hero

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Pip becomes as real to her as her own mother, and the greatest friendship of her life has begun. Soon Mr. Watts's book begins to inflame the children's

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***imagination
with dreams
about
Dickens's
London and the
larger world.
But how will
they answer
when the
soldiers
demand to
know: where is***

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*this man named
Pip? Set
against the
stunning
beauty of
Bougainville
in the South
Pacific during
the civil war
in the early
1990s, Lloyd
Jones's*

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***breathhtaking
novel shows
what magic a
child's
imagination
makes possible
even in the
face of
terrible
violence and
what power
stories have***

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*to fuel the
imagination.*

*The Girls in
the Stilt
House*

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*The Most
Dangerous Game
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***Because I Can
with Roald
Dahl's Matilda
: Lavender***

**Dear Gram and
Grampop, Please
do not address
yours truly as
California
anymore,
California
Morning Whipple
being a foolish**

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**name for a duck
much less a girl.
I call myself Lucy
now. I cannot
hate California
and be
California. I
know you will
understand.
California
doesn't suit Lucy
Whipple -- not
the name, not
the place. But**

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moving out West to Lucky Diggins, California, was her mama's dream-come-true. And now her brother, Butte, and sisters, Prairie and Sierra, seem to be Westerners at heart, too. For Lucy, Lucky Diggins is hardly

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**a town at all --
just a bunch of
ramshackle tents
and tobacco-
spitting miners.
Even the gold her
mama claimed
was just lying
around in the
fields isn't
panning out.
Worst of all,
there's no
lending library!**

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**Dag diggety! So
Lucy vows to be
plain miserable
until she can
hightail it back
East where she
belongs. But
Lucy California
Morning Whipple
may be in for a
surprise --
because home is
a lot closer than
she thinks...**

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**When California
Morning
Whipple's
widowed mother
uproots her
family from their
comfortable
Massachusetts
environs and
moves them to a
rough mining
camp called
Lucky Diggins in
the Sierras,**

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California

**Morning resents
the upheaval.**

**Desperately
wanting to
control**

**something in her
own life, she
decides to be
called Lucy, and
as Lucy she
grows and
changes in her
strange and**

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**challenging new
environment.**

**Here Karen
Cushman helps
the American
Gold Rush spring
to colorful life,
just as she did
for medieval
England in her
previous two
books, Catherine,
Called Birdy and
The Midwife's**

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Apprentice, which won Newbery Honor status and a Newbery Medal respectively. The Way Up to Heaven is a brilliant gem of a short story from Roald Dahl, the master of the sting in the tail. In The Way Up to

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**from the short
story collection
Kiss Kiss, which
includes ten
other devious
and shocking
stories, featuring
the wife who
pawns the mink
coat from her
lover with
unexpected
results; the
priceless piece of**

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**furniture that is
the subject of a
deceitful
bargain; a
wronged woman
taking revenge
on her dead
husband, and
others.**

**'Unnerving
bedtime stories,
subtle,
proficient, hair-
raising and done**

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**to a turn.' (San
Francisco
Chronicle) This
story is also
available as a
Penguin digital
audio download
read by
Stephanie
Beacham. Roald
Dahl, the
brilliant and
worldwide
acclaimed author**

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**of Charlie and
the Chocolate
Factory, James
and the Giant
Peach, Matilda,
and many more
classics for
children, also
wrote scores of
short stories for
adults. These
delightfully
disturbing tales
have often been**

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**The story behind
Banjo Paterson's
iconic Australian
song. 'Once a
jolly swagman
camped by a
Billabong Under
the shade of a
Coolibah tree
And he sang as
he watched and
waited till his
Billy boiled You'll
come a-waltzing**

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Matilda with me...' In 1894, twelve-year-old Matilda flees the city slums to find her unknown father and his farm. But drought grips the land, and the shearers are on strike. Her father has turned swaggie and he's

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wanted by the troopers. In front of his terrified daughter, he makes a stand against them, defiant to the last. 'You'll never catch me alive, said he...' Set against a backdrop of bushfire, flood, war and

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**rooted in actual
history, this is
the untold story
behind**

**Australia's early
years as an
emerging nation.**

**PRAISE 'Jackie
French has a
passion for
history, and an
enviable ability
to weave the
fascinating**

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**minutiae of
everyday life into
a good story.' --**

Magpies

Magazine

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Matilda Saga,

#1)

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Cooking for

Picasso

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**James and the
Giant Peach
The Gilded Life
of Matilda
Duplaine**

**A young lawyer's
outwardly perfect
life spirals out of
control as she takes
on her first murder
case in this "dark,
original and utterly
compelling"**

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**domestic noir for
readers of Paula
Hawkins, A.J. Finn,
or Shari Lapena.
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York Times
bestselling author of
Then She Was Gone)
Alison has it all. A
doting husband,
adorable daughter,
and a career on the
rise--she's just been**

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**given her first
murder case to
defend. But all is
never as it seems...
Just one more night.
Then I'll end it.
Alison drinks too
much. She's
neglecting her
family. And she's
having an affair with
a colleague whose
taste for pushing**

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boundaries may be more than she can handle. I did it. I killed him. I should be locked up.

Alison's client doesn't deny that she stabbed her husband - she wants to plead guilty. And yet something about her story is deeply amiss. Saving this woman

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**may be the first step
to Alison saving
herself. I'm watching
you. I know what
you're doing. But
someone knows
Alison's secrets.
Someone who wants
to make her pay for
what she's done, and
who won't stop until
she's lost
everything....**

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**on the years of her
struggle with
Stephen for the
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Emperor Henry V
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Normandy for her
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