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*A Fragile Thing* - Kevin Wignall 2017-08-17

**Darkness, My Old Friend** - Lisa Unger 2011

A man searching for the mother who disappeared decades earlier, a high-strung teenager, a psychic who predicts a man's death and a disgraced former chief of police find their lives converging in ways that invoke formidable personal costs. By the best-selling author of Beautiful Lies. 60,000 first printing.

*To Die in Vienna* - Kevin Wignall 2018-06-14

**British Murder Mystery: Ultimate Collection (Over 350 Detective Novels, Thriller Tales & True Crime Stories)** - Agatha Christie, Edgar Wallace, Arthur Conan Doyle, Wilkie Collins, R. Austin Freeman, H. C. McNeile, G. K.

Chesterton, Arthur Morrison, E. W. Hornung, J. S. Fletcher, Rober Barr, Frank Froest, C. N. Williamson, A. M. Williamson, Isabel Olander

**The Middleman** - Olen Steinhauer 2018-08-07

One of The Boston Globe's Best Mysteries of the Year "A thought-provoking political thriller, a dark story for dark times." - The Washington Post With The Middleman, the perfect thriller for our tumultuous, uneasy time, Olen Steinhauer, the New York Times bestselling author of ten novels, including The Tourist and The Cairo Affair, delivers a compelling portrait of a nation on the edge of revolution, and the deepest motives of the men and women on the opposite sides of the divide. One day in the early summer of 2017, about four hundred people disappear from their lives. They leave behind cell phones, credit cards, jobs, houses, families--everything--all on the same day. Where have they gone?

Why? The only answer, for weeks, is silence. Kevin Moore is one of them. Former military, disaffected, restless, Kevin leaves behind his retail job in San Francisco, sends a good-bye text to his mother, dumps his phone and wallet into a trash can, and disappears. The movement calls itself the Massive Brigade, and they believe change isn't coming fast enough to America. But are they a protest organization, a political movement, or a terrorist group? What do they want? The FBI isn't taking any chances. Special Agent Rachel Proulx has been following the growth of left-wing political groups in the U.S. since the fall of 2016, and is very familiar with Martin Bishop, the charismatic leader of the Massive Brigade. But she needs her colleagues to take her seriously in order to find these people before they put their plan--whatever it is--into action. What Rachel uncovers will shock the entire nation, and the aftermath of her investigation will reverberate through the FBI to the highest levels of government.

**Fractured Things** - Samantha Lovelock 2020-11-25

Poe Halliday could have been my everything. The boy who allowed me to dream again. Over as quickly as it began, one night ended it all--the hope growing in my heart poisoned by a dark secret spit from cruel and twisted lips. The secret that stole her from me. After spending my entire life living with my mother's demons, I refuse to let them take anything else away from me. My roots are entwined with the shadows haunting that town and running from them isn't an option anymore. I'm stronger than they think I am, and the only way I can escape this nightmare is to fight. This time it will be on my

terms. I have to go back. □□□□ Stella Bradleigh shone like the brightest star. Able to keep my shadows at bay with nothing but her smile. I've been unknowingly living under the same roof as the devil incarnate-the architect of a horrific event kept secret for so long. The secret that stole her from me. When she left, my world turned cold again, and after basking in her warmth, I refuse to let it end this way. From the day she arrived, I knew my heart belonged with hers, and even though I tried to push her away, she became a part of me. The shadows in this town are no match for the ones I carry, and if she lets me, I'll stand by her side and fight. This time it will be on her terms. She has to come back. □ Folkestone Sins is a series of interconnected duets. Fractured Things is the second book in the Folkestone Sins series. This is a dark, mature high school/new adult romance. It contains situations and flashbacks that may trigger some readers, language that may be offensive, and scenes of a sexual nature (all consensual).

**The Fragile Ones: An Absolutely Gripping Mystery and Suspense Novel** - Jennifer Chase  
2021-03-08

"Please Mommy, can Tessa and I go play on the swing by the creek?" the little girl begs, pushing a blonde curl from her eyes. "We'll stay together, and we promise to be safe." Hours later, their mother waits anxiously for her darling girls to arrive home with a list of reasons why they are late. But the front door never opens... When the bodies of eleven and twelve-year-old sisters, Tessa and Megan, are found at the bottom of a ravine-dressed in matching pastel summer outfits, their small bodies broken from the fall-Detective Katie Scott is called to one of the most shocking and heartbreaking crime scenes of her career. Carefully picking through the fragile remains, Katie makes the first of many disturbing discoveries: the girls were not biological sisters. The youngest, Megan, is a DNA match to a kidnapping case years before. The tiny number burnt into her skin the mark of a terrifying killer intent on keeping count of his collection. Her PTSD from the army triggered, Katie is left reeling as she maps other missing children in the local area. Has this twisted soul found a way to stay nearby his victims? Could he be watching now as Katie hits one dead end

after another? A wild storm building, matching a fiber found during the autopsy to a nearby boatyard is the break Katie needs. But when another girl goes missing, just as lightning strikes and the power goes out, Katie only has her instincts, her team and her service dog to rely on. As time runs out for Katie to find the stolen child alive, who will become the next number on this monster's deadly list? Fans of Lisa Regan, Rachel Caine and Melinda Leigh, you better buckle-up for the ride of your life! BEWARE - this gripping crime thriller is guaranteed to keep you up all night! Everyone is talking about Jennifer Chase: 'THERE WAS NO WAY I WAS PUTTING THIS BOOK DOWN!!!!... I was literally holding my breath... I HAD TO KNOW!!!! As for the explosive ending? WOW definitely not what or who I was expecting.'

Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars

**The Night Before** - Wendy Walker 2019-05-14  
First dates can be murder. "Ferociously smart." —AJ Finn "Riveting." —Riley Sager "Addictive." —Liv Constantine "Wonderfully tense." —Aimee Molloy "Irresistible." —Mary Kubica "Impossible to put down." —Megan Miranda Riveting and compulsive, national bestselling author Wendy Walker's *The Night Before* "takes you to deep, dark places few thrillers dare to go" as two sisters uncover long-buried secrets when an internet date spirals out of control. Laura Lochner has never been lucky in love. She falls too hard and too fast, always choosing the wrong men. Devastated by the end of her last relationship, she fled her Wall Street job and New York City apartment for her sister's home in the Connecticut suburb where they both grew up. Though still haunted by the tragedy that's defined her entire life, Laura is determined to take one more chance on love with a man she's met on an Internet dating site. Rosie Ferro has spent most of her life worrying about her troubled sister. Fearless but fragile, Laura has always walked an emotional tightrope, and Rosie has always been there to catch her. Laura's return, under mysterious circumstances, has cast a shadow over Rosie's peaceful life with her husband and young son - a shadow that grows darker as Laura leaves the house for her blind date. When Laura does not return home the following morning, Rosie fears the worst. She's not responding to calls or texts, and she's left no

information about the man she planned to meet. As Rosie begins a desperate search to find her sister, she is not just worried about what this man might have done to Laura. She's worried about what Laura may have done to him...

Fragile - Mike Denney 2021-03-21

The Names of the Dead - Kevin Wignall 2020-02  
They locked him up. Now he's out--for revenge. Former CIA officer James 'Wes' Wesley paid the ultimate price for his patriotism when he was locked up in a French jail for an anti-terror operation gone wrong--abandoned by the Agency he served, shunned by his colleagues and friends, cut off from his family. Now he is shattered by the news that his ex-wife, Rachel, a State Department analyst, has been killed in a terrorist attack in Spain. He also discovers that his young son, Ethan, is missing. But Wes didn't know he had a son--until now. Why was Rachel in Spain? And why did she keep his son secret from him? Granted early release, Wes takes flight across Europe to search for the truth and exact his revenge. But can he catch the spies who betrayed him before they track him down? In order to find the answers and save his son, Wes realises he must confront the dark secrets in his own past--before it's too late.

**These Toxic Things** - Rachel Howzell Hall 2021-09

A dead woman's cherished trinkets become pieces to a terrifying puzzle. Mickie Lambert creates "digital scrapbooks" for clients, ensuring that precious souvenirs aren't forgotten or lost. When her latest client, Nadia Denham, a curio shop owner, dies from an apparent suicide, Mickie honors the old woman's last wish and begins curating her peculiar objets d'art. A music box, a hair clip, a key chain--twelve mementos in all that must have meant so much to Nadia, who collected them on her flea market scavenges across the country. But these tokens mean a lot to someone else, too. Mickie has been receiving threatening messages to leave Nadia's past alone. It's becoming a mystery Mickie is driven to solve. Who once owned these odd treasures? How did Nadia really come to possess them? Discovering the truth means crossing paths with a long-dormant serial killer and navigating the secrets of a sinister past. One that might, Mickie fears, be inescapably

entwined with her own.

**Arctic Sea** - David Poyer 2021-11-30

New threats surface in the aftermath of WWII—this time, in the remote waters of the Arctic. Arctic Sea is the next thrilling entry in David Poyer's critically-acclaimed future war series. In the aftermath of a world war with China, Admiral Dan Lenson is assigned to set up a US Navy base on the rugged North Slope of Alaska, in response to Russian seabed claims that reach nearly to the US coast. Yet the current administration seems oddly reluctant to confront Russian aggression. At the same time, the International Criminal Court is accusing Dan of a war crime. Back in Washington, Blair Titus is running Jim Yangerhans's campaign for president, while Dan's daughter Nan battles disease in a radiation-soaked Midwest. But when Moscow plans to test the Apocalyps, a nuclear powered citykiller torpedo, in the Arctic Sea, Dan is sucked into a perilous covert mission. Will a barely victorious America survive dangerous new threats...both from without, and within?

How to Write a Thriller - Patrick Quinlan 2019-06-27

Are you feeling frustrated with your writing? Get HOW TO WRITE A THRILLER, and you will: - Learn to write a page-turning thriller just like the pros do. - Save yourself YEARS of trial and error. - Write with confidence, because you know exactly what you're doing. When you buy HOW TO WRITE A THRILLER, here's what you're going to get: - a process for structuring and writing a thriller, that I have used again and again to consistently write page turners, and which has guided the creation of some of the bestselling novels of the past 50 years; - a step-by-step breakdown of how this process works (with a slew of examples), and how to make it work for you; - a shortcut used widely within the publishing and film industries, and which you can use to quickly and easily brainstorm ideas for saleable novels; - how to create so much suspense, it forces the reader to keep turning pages late into the night (despite the fact that they have to work in the morning), and how you can accomplish this effect; - how to hook readers from the very first page, and never lose their attention; - how to develop realistic characters, and the traits that some of the most popular and enduring characters in history have in common;

About the author: Patrick Quinlan is the author of more than 30 books and ebooks, written under his own name and (at last count) three pen names. He has been an Amazon, iTunes, Los Angeles Times, London Times and USA Today bestselling author. Books he has written have sold hundreds of thousands of copies and been translated into at least ten languages. His novel SMOKED was optioned for film three times. A spy novel he wrote under a pen name, which was given away free as part of a promotion, was the most downloaded ebook in the English language on Christmas Day, 2015. Patrick is the co-author, with legendary movie star Rutger Hauer (Blade Runner, Ladyhawke, The Hitcher) of Rutger's autobiography, ALL THOSE MOMENTS. Patrick will teach you everything he knows. Praise for Patrick Quinlan's writing: "Tarantino-esque novel about the past catching up with an ex-criminal turned children's toymaker, and by extension with his young girlfriend Lola. Lots of villains and violent deaths plus likeable characters and some quirky humour. The first chapter - in which Lola busts her way out of a thoroughly nasty rape scenario with karate-kicking panache - would hook anyone." -- The Bookseller (UK) "Graphic action and exhilarating chases ensue as Quinlan's characters play cat-and-mouse through Portland,...makes one hope that Smoke hasn't quit the life entirely. Lola is a fierce delight." -- Publishers Weekly "A fast and furious thriller notable for a vintage collection of really rotten bad guys. Characters to care about, even the no-goods. Readers may be bearing early witness to the arrival of a major talent." -- Kirkus Reviews "SMOKED should absorb any fan of Bruckheimer blockbusters and everything else that goes boom." -- Entertainment Weekly "A fast-paced thriller...the story moves at warp speed, capped by a cinematic chase...before ending in spectacular fashion." -- Los Angeles Times

**GONE** - Sharon A. Mitchell 2021-05-10

A sheltered mother & medically fragile child can't just vanish. Or can they?

**Monument Road** - Michael Wiley 2017-12-01

"This gorgeously crafted, shudderingly dark novel blends the genres of psychological thriller and murder mystery"—from the Shamus Award-winning author (Naples Florida Weekly).

Introducing former death-row inmate turned

private investigator Franky Dast in the first of an intriguing crime noir series. Having spent eight years on death row for a crime he didn't commit, Franky Dast now works as an investigator for the Justice Now Initiative, seeking to help others in the same situation. But when he learns that Bill Higby, the detective whose testimony helped convict him, is facing his own murder charge, Franky is torn. Should he help the man he hates more than any other, the man who remains convinced of Franky's guilt to this day? As Franky delves further, he comes to realize that in order to prove Higby's innocence, he must also prove his own. Unless he finds out what happened that fateful night eight years before, the night 15-year-old Duane Bronson and his 13-year-old brother were murdered, Franky will always be under suspicion, and the real killer will remain free. What really happened that dark, wet night on Monument Road? And is Franky prepared for the shocking truth? "Like your noir pitch-black? So does Wiley."—Kirkus Reviews "Engrossing . . . Readers will want to see more of the complex Dast, who's both fragile and strong, cynical and naïve."—Publishers Weekly "Masterfully setting in motion his main character's goals and the array of blocking forces, the author carefully orchestrates the larger and smaller revelations, the successes and failures along Franky's path, into a thundering coda of suspense."—Naples Florida Weekly

The Lawrence Sanders Thriller Collection

Volume One - Lawrence Sanders 2016-08-09

Three provocative novels of adventure, sex, and sin from the New York Times–bestselling author of the Edward X. Delaney Series In The Seduction of Peter S., an out-of-work actor gets picked up by an older woman, and together they hatch an outrageous scheme, recruiting New York's handsomest thespians and putting them to work in the world's oldest profession. The doyennes of the Upper East Side can have any actor they want—for a price. The Case of Lucy Bending is an erotic thriller like no other. Among the rich and famous of Florida's gold coast, a beautiful and precocious young girl is surrounded by adults who think only of money, power, murder, and vengeance. Will a child psychiatrist be able to save Lucy Bending from the world around her? It's a deadly proposition.

A hardboiled insurance investigator, Wolf Lannihaan has tangled with some of the world's most dangerous femme fatales—and lived to tell the tale. Tales of the Wolf chronicles Lannihaan's bawdiest, craziest stories, and shows how he always gets his woman. These three books by legendary thriller writer Lawrence Sanders display precisely what makes his work so addictive. No one writes smarter, sexier stories than the creator of the Edward X. Delaney Series.

Bath Haus - P. J. Vernon 2021-06-15  
Nominated for a 34th annual Lambda Literary Award • A scintillating thriller with an emotional punch: "The tension builds to unbearably claustrophobic levels. To say more would rob readers of the 'no, he didn't' suspense that makes Bath Haus an unexpectedly twisted, heart-pounding cat-versus-mouse thriller" (Los Angeles Times). Oliver Park, a recovering addict from Indiana, finally has everything he ever wanted: sobriety and a loving, wealthy partner in Nathan, a prominent DC trauma surgeon. Despite their difference in age and disparate backgrounds, they've made a perfect life together. With everything to lose, Oliver shouldn't be visiting Haus, a gay bathhouse. But through the entrance he goes, and it's a line crossed. Inside, he follows a man into a private room, and it's the final line. Whatever happens next, Nathan can never know. But then, everything goes wrong, terribly wrong, and Oliver barely escapes with his life. He races home in full-blown terror as the hand-shaped bruise grows dark on his neck. The truth will destroy Nathan and everything they have together, so Oliver does the thing he used to do so well: he lies. What follows is a classic runaway-train narrative, full of the exquisite escalations, edge-of-your-seat thrills, and oh-my-god twists. P. J. Vernon's Bath Haus is perfect for readers curious for their next must-read novel.

Fragile Lies - Laura Elliot 2015-02-13  
His name is Michael Carmody. He is a writer and a father. His son is lying in a coma, fighting for his life. Her name is Lorraine Cheevers. She is an artist and mother. An illicit affair has destroyed her marriage. Michael is desperate to find the couple who left his son for dead, a victim of a hit and run. Lorraine is desperate to

start a new life for her and her daughter. Michael and Lorraine are about to cross paths – damaged souls, drawn to one another. They don't know that their lives are already connected. They don't know the web of lies surrounding them. They are each searching for the truth. But when they find it, it could destroy them both. Fragile Lies is a gripping tale of love and betrayal, which will entice fans of Liane Moriarty, Lucie Whitehouse and Jane Shemilt's Daughter. Note: previously published as 'Deceptions.' Read what everyone is saying about Fragile Lies 'Fragile Lies has a little bit of everything, love, tragedy, infidelity, lies and secrets...The characters are quite complex and I think this added a real edge to the book; they felt very well thought out and I loved how the author weaved their separate stories together. Excellent plot, interesting characters and plenty of intrigue.' Dot Scribbles 'The reader is immersed into a story that tells of decades of love, betrayal, deceit and frailty with a dark undertone, all of which makes for a truly riveting read...I can promise that it is a book that will not disappoint...I for one was hooked into it and savoured the delicious twists and ending with relish and satisfaction.' 5/5 Book Addicted Housewife 'A wonderful story incredibly well told, full of secrets, love and illusion, lies and revenge, which will keep you gripped well into the early hours...' Being Anne Reading 'Dealing with passion, adultery, deception and tragedy, and how the past has a way of creeping up on you...a really intriguing page-turner with a surprising twist.' Evening Echo 'This page-turner is gripping, all the more because it presents the dilemmas of betrayal with brutal honesty.' Irish Independent 'This well-crafted and compelling story traces the deceits which begin unnoticed but end in the destruction of friendships and lives.' The Irish Times 'A gripping tale of adultery and illusion.' Evening Herald

**Balance of Fragile Things** - Olivia Chadha 2012-10-01  
"...absorbing...a delightful intrigue, with strong characters who develop and grow throughout the book as they face frightening turns."  
—Publishers Weekly"...eloquent prose and original, vivid details..." —The Los Angeles Review "A luminous and sophisticated novel,

Balance of Fragile Things offers a compelling view into modern family life with all its complications, secrets, and unbreakable bonds." —Debra Ginsberg, author of *The Grift and What the Heart Remembers*"Here is a new voice in American literature worth celebrating." —Greg Ames, author of *Buffalo Lockjaw* A multicultural American family comes together just as the world around them begins to fall apart... When Vic Singh finds a dead blue butterfly—out of place in his cold, upstate New York village—he knows something is terribly amiss. Yet he is too busy dodging the bully at his high school, let alone trying to live up to his father's expectations, to look much further into the environmental oddities around him. Meanwhile, for Vic's father, Paul, the ghosts of the past cause him to pressure his son to live up to his Sikh traditions—while his Latvian wife, Maija, is haunted by the present: She's having new and ominous psychic visions even though she can't read her own teenage children. Isabella, attempting to lose herself through her role in a school play, has an illness she can't seem to shake—and Vic, trying to find himself, is spending more time alone in nature. Then Paul's father and Maija's mother move in to the family home, upending the delicate balance of this Indian/Latvian family and its two American teenagers. Yet, as the environmental devastation that Vic's butterflies have forewarned comes to bear, the family comes together in new and unexpected ways. Olivia Chadha's lovely, multilayered novel brings us into an extended family of three generations that strives to remain together in an unstable world.

*Die for You* - Lisa Unger 2009-06-02

Isabel Raine thought she had everything—a successful career, a supportive family, and a happy marriage to the man she loved. Then one ordinary morning, her husband, Marcus, picks up his briefcase, kisses her good-bye, and simply vanishes. That day, all her calls to him go straight to voice mail; the messages she leaves at his office go unreturned, too. Panicking after finally receiving a call from his cell phone in which all she can hear is a man's terrified cry, Isabel calls the police. But they aren't interested. Men leave, they tell her. They leave all the time. Desperate to find her husband, Isabel races to his office. But instead of finding

him, she finds herself in the middle of an FBI raid. Hours later, she awakens in the hospital with a severe concussion and a homicide detective by her bedside waiting to question her about Marcus Raine—the real Marcus Raine. Now the only thing Isabel knows for sure is that her husband of five years is gone. Where is he and who is he are questions no one seems able to answer. But Isabel will not rest until she discovers the truth about the man she loves, even if it means risking everything—including her own life. Bestselling author Lisa Unger takes us on a nightmarish journey from bustling, glamorous New York City to the murky, twisted streets of Prague, seeking the answer to one bone-chilling question: What if the man you love, the one sleeping beside you, is a stranger?

**EDGE: A Killer Thriller Anthology** - Ivana Sanders 2020-10-29

A collection of writings from authors around the world featuring short stories with Dark Humor, Suspense, Creepy Elements, Thought Provoking Dilemmas, and Science Fiction. Plus, a sneak peak of Young Adult/Thriller novel, *The Beckwith Brothers!* Included stories from the authors: *One Way* by Royal Banks *Moment of Clarity* by Kendall Brown *Nineveh* by Kristin Cloud *Wild Web* by Dr. Mahul Brahma *Murder of Bishop Street* by Cisi Eze Lincoln and *The Tiny Little Monsters* by Ivana Sanders *Mind in a Masterpiece* by Anthony Baamonde *The Calm Waters* by Greg Coley *The Land of the Gorgeous People* by Ivana Sanders *The Eyes* by Greg Coley *Surrender* by Richard Thomas *Sneak Peak: The Beckwith Brothers* by Ivana Sanders

**Fragile** - Lisa Unger 2010

verybody knows everybody in *The Hollows*. As a child, Maggie found life there stifling; as a wife and mother she has happily returned to its insular embrace. When a teenage girl disappears, eerie parallels soon emerge to the abduction that happened when she was a teenager; in searching for the truth, Maggie exposes a long-buried town secret.

**Fragile** - Sarah Hilary 2021-06-10

'Stunning' - Marian Keyes, author of *Grown Ups* 'Chilling' - Val McDermid, author of *The Wire* in the *Blood* *Fragile* is a modern Gothic psychological thriller with a contemporary twist on the classic novel *Rebecca*, from award-winning and critically acclaimed writer Sarah

Hilary. Everything she touches breaks . . . Nell Ballard is a runaway. A former foster child with a dark secret she is desperate to keep, all Nell wants is to find a place she can belong. So when a position comes up at Starling Villas, home to the enigmatic Robin Wilder, she seizes the opportunity with both hands. But her new lodgings may not be the safe haven she was hoping for. Her employer has secrets of his own and lives by a rigid set of rules she must abide by. But is Nell's arrival at the Villas really the coincidence it seems? After all, she knows more than most how fragile people can be - and how easy they are to break . . . Further praise for *Fragile*: 'Perfectly plotted, beautifully written modern Gothic. I absolutely loved it' - Erin Kelly, author of *He Said/She Said* 'Beautifully crafted, smart and unsettling' - Mick Herron, author of *Slow Horses* 'A dark, mesmeric fever-dream of a book' - Ruth Ware, author of *The Woman in Cabin 10* 'Ingenious, original and brilliant' - Will Dean, author of *Red Snow* 'Extraordinary' - Andrew Taylor, author of *The American Boy* and *The Ashes of London* 'A modern-day Highsmith' - Steve Cavanagh, author of *Thirteen* 'A truly outstanding work of modern Gothic' - Eva Dolan, author of *Between Two Evils* 'Highly original, beautifully written' - Sharon Bolton, author of *The Split* 'A beautifully written modern Gothic masterpiece' - Liz Nugent, author of *Skin Deep* 'So elegant, so restrained' - Lucy Atkins, author of *Magpie Lane* 'A gorgeously written, tense and atmospheric novel' - Gytha Lodge, author of *She Lies in Wait*

**The Special Ones** - Em Bailey 2017-07-18  
Esther is one of the Special Ones: four young spiritual guides who live in a remote farmhouse under the protection of a mysterious cult leader. He watches them around the clock, ready to punish them if they forget who they are—and all the while, broadcasting their lives to eager followers on the outside. Esther knows that if she stops being Special, he will “renew” her. Nobody knows what happens to the Special Ones who are taken away from the farm for renewal, but Esther fears the worst. Like an actor caught up in an endless play, she must keep up the performance if she wants to survive long enough to escape.

[The Nature of Fragile Things](#) - Susan Meissner  
2022-01-04

April 18, 1906: A massive earthquake rocks San Francisco just before daybreak, igniting a devouring inferno. Lives are lost, lives are shattered, but some rise from the ashes forever changed. Sophie Whalen is a young Irish immigrant so desperate to get out of a New York tenement that she answers a mail-order bride ad and agrees to marry a man she knows nothing about. San Francisco widower Martin Hocking proves to be as aloof as he is mesmerizingly handsome. Sophie quickly develops deep affection for Kat, Martin's silent five-year-old daughter, but Martin's odd behavior leaves her with the uneasy feeling that something about her newfound situation isn't right. Then one early-spring evening, a stranger at the door sets in motion a transforming chain of events. Sophie discovers hidden ties to two other women. The first, pretty and pregnant, is standing on her doorstep. The second is hundreds of miles away in the American Southwest, grieving the loss of everything she once loved. The fates of these three women intertwine on the eve of the devastating earthquake, thrusting them onto a perilous journey that will test their resiliency and resolve and, ultimately, their belief that love can overcome fear. From the acclaimed author of *The Last Year of the War* and *As Bright as Heaven* comes a gripping novel about the bonds of friendship and mother love, and the power of female solidarity.

**The Child** - Fiona Barton 2017-06-27  
From the New York Times bestselling author of *The Widow* comes a twisting novel of psychological suspense—as seen in *People*, *Entertainment Weekly*, *Time*, *USA Today*, *Bustle*, *Good Housekeeping.com*, *HelloGiggles*, *The Boston Globe*, *PureWow*, *The Dallas Morning News*, and more! “The Child is a perfect blend of beach read and book club selection....[A] page-turning whodunit....A novel that is both fast-paced and thought-provoking.”—USA Today  
As an old house is demolished in a gentrifying section of London, a workman discovers human remains, buried for years. For journalist Kate Waters, it's a story that deserves attention. She cobbles together a piece for her newspaper, but at a loss for answers, she can only pose a question: Who has been found at the building site? As Kate investigates, she unearths connections to a crime that rocked the city

decades earlier: A child was stolen from the maternity ward in a local hospital and was never found. Her heartbroken parents were left devastated by the loss. But there is more to the story, and Kate is drawn—house by house—into the pasts of the people who once lived in this neighborhood that has given up its greatest mystery. And she soon finds herself the keeper of unexpected secrets that erupt in the lives of three women—and torn between what she can and cannot tell... An NPR Best Book of the Year A Bustle Best Thriller Novel of the Year *The Nature of Fragile Things* - Susan Meissner 2021-02-02

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TRUST - Sharon A. Mitchell 2021-05-10  
Elizabeth thought that after all they'd been through, the bad parts were over. Guess not. After saving herself and her little boy from abductors, Elizabeth yearns to put the terror behind them, to cocoon with her son, safe and

secure at home. Court hearings confirm that they suffered the worst betrayal possible. She never dreamed that she'd have to battle the law to protect her medically fragile little boy when his life and sanity are on the line. When her son is targeted and taken, Elizabeth will do anything to save him. Ordinary people, thrust into extraordinary circumstances. Read *TRUST*, Book Two of the psychological thriller series *When Bad Things Happen*.

**All Her Little Secrets** - Wanda M. Morris  
2021-11-02

"All Her Little Secrets is a brilliantly nuanced but powerhouse exploration of race, the legal system, and the crushing pressure of keeping secrets. Morris brings a vibrant and welcome new voice to the thriller space." —Karin Slaughter, *New York Times* and international bestselling author  
In this fast-paced thriller, Wanda M. Morris crafts a twisty mystery about a black lawyer who gets caught in a dangerous conspiracy after the sudden death of her boss . . . A debut perfect for fans of Attica Locke, Alyssa Cole, Harlan Coben, and Celeste Ng, with shades of *How to Get Away with Murder* and John Grisham's *The Firm*. Everyone has something to hide... Ellice Littlejohn seemingly has it all: an Ivy League law degree, a well-paying job as a corporate attorney in midtown Atlanta, great friends, and a "for fun" relationship with a rich, charming executive, who just happens to be her white boss. But everything changes one cold January morning when Ellice arrives in the executive suite and finds him dead with a gunshot to his head. And then she walks away like nothing has happened. Why? Ellice has been keeping a cache of dark secrets, including a small-town past and a kid brother who's spent time on the other side of the law. She can't be thrust into the spotlight—again. But instead of grieving this tragedy, people are gossiping, the police are getting suspicious, and Ellice, the company's lone black attorney, is promoted to replace her boss. While the opportunity is a dream-come-true, Ellice just can't shake the feeling that something is off. When she uncovers shady dealings inside the company, Ellice is trapped in an impossible ethical and moral dilemma. Suddenly, Ellice's past and present lives collide as she launches into a pulse-pounding race to

protect the brother she tried to save years ago and stop a conspiracy far more sinister than she could have ever imagined...

Edgar Wallace Mysteries (Premium Collection of 20 Best Thriller Novels) - Edgar Wallace

2015-07-20

This carefully crafted ebook: "Edgar Wallace Mysteries (Premium Collection of 20 Best Thriller Novels)" is formatted for your eReader with a functional and detailed table of contents.

Edgar Wallace (1875-1932) was an English writer. As well as journalism, Wallace wrote screen plays, poetry, historical non-fiction, 18 stage plays, 957 short stories and over 170 novels, 12 in 1929 alone. More than 160 films have been made of Wallace's work. Table of Contents: The Four Just Men The Mind of Mr. J. G. Reeder The Daffodil Mystery Angel of Terror The Clue of the Twisted Candle The Crimson Circle The Green Ribbon The Devil Man The Forger The Iron Grip The Twister The Secret House The Man Who Knew The Green Archer The Three Oak Mystery Penelope of the Polyantha The Flying Fifty-five The Clue of the Silver Key Captains of Souls The Man who Bought London

Descent - Tim Johnston 2015-01-06

The Rocky Mountains have cast their spell over the Courtlands, who are taking a family vacation before their daughter leaves for college. But when Caitlin and her younger brother, Sean, go out for an early morning run and only Sean returns, the mountains become as terrifying as they are majestic. Written with a precision that captures every emotion, every moment of fear, as each member of the family searches for answers, *Descent* races like an avalanche toward its heart-pounding conclusion. "Read this astonishing novel . . . The magic of his prose equals the horror of Johnston's story." —The Washington Post "A compelling thriller that is both creepy and literary . . . *Descent* is not just a mystery. It is an emotional story of evil, fear, acceptance and irony." —The Denver Post "What makes the novel unforgettable is its sense of character, its deliberate, unadorned prose and Johnston's unflinching exploration of human endurance, physical and psychological." —Miami Herald "A super-charged, addictive read." —The Missourian "An original and psychologically deep thriller." —Outside magazine "Outstanding

. . . The days when you had to choose between a great story and a great piece of writing? Gone."

—Esquire "[A] dazzling debut . . . Exquisitely crafted." —The Dallas Morning News "Incredibly powerful, richly atmospheric." —Minneapolis Star Tribune " [An] engulfing thriller-cum-western." —The New York Times Book Review "Brilliant . . . As gripping as any Everest expedition." —Peter Heller, author of *The Dog Stars*

Precious and Fragile Things - Megan Hart

2013-03-26

When she is carjacked, Gilly Solomon, a stay-at-home mom who is tired of always putting herself last, is stranded in a remote, snowbound cabin with a man who, teetering on the edge of madness, refuses to let her leave. Reprint.

The Lost Girls of Camp Forevermore: Compelling campsite crime thriller - Kim Fu

2019-02-15

'Kim Fu skillfully measures how long and loudly one formative moment can reverberate' Celeste NgA group of young girls descend on a sleepaway camp where their days are filled with swimming lessons, friendship bracelets, and songs by the fire. Filled with excitement and nervous energy, they set off on an overnight kayaking trip to a nearby island. But before the night is over, they find themselves stranded, with no adults to help them survive or guide them home. *The Lost Girls of Camp Forevermore* traces these five girls through and beyond this fateful trip. We see them through successes and failures, loving relationships and heartbreaks; we see what it means to find, and define, oneself, and the ways in which the same experience is refracted through different people. A portrait of friendship and of the families we build for ourselves, and the pasts we can't escape. What Reviewers and Readers Say: 'A propulsive storyteller, using clear and cutting prose' The New York Times 'Fu precisely renders the banal humiliations of childhood, the chilling steps humans take to survive, and the way time warps memory' Publishers Weekly 'An ambitious and dynamic portrayal of the harm humans - even young girls - can do' Kirkus Review 'The first truly great novel I've read in 2018... As intricately fashioned and as bold-hearted as books by novelists who've been publishing for decades' Seattle Review of Books 'Fu offers an

unblinking view of the social and emotional survival of the fittest that all too often marks the female coming of age' Toronto Star'These portraits of sisterhood, motherhood, daughterhood, wifhood, girlfriendhood, independent womanhood, and other female-identified-hoods sing and groan and scream with complexity and nuance, and they make me want to read her next ten books' The Stranger'To say this is a story of survival is too simple... Fu avoids the obvious and tidy, allowing us to imagine what happens next' Winnipeg Free Press'I loved it for its portrayal of each of the girls... and for showing that a single incident can colour your entire life' Canadian Living'A thoroughly entertaining, complex novel full of intricate insights into human nature' Quill & Quire

Three Strikes - Kate Kessler 2017-10-24

When a mysterious young girl arrives in the small New England town of Edgeport, it's up to criminal psychologist Audrey Harte to figure out where exactly she came from . . . but sometimes the past should stay in the past. Thanksgiving is approaching, and Audrey Harte has a lot to be thankful for -- her mother has recovered from surgery, her relationship with Jake is solid, her father is relatively sober, and her career is evolving in an exciting direction. So when an 18-year-old girl turns up on her mother's doorstep, claiming to be the daughter Maggie Jones gave up for adoption, Audrey is amazed. As Audrey helps the girl discover where she came from, people in the little town of Edgeport think she should leave the past alone, and they let her know through threatening messages and phone calls. Soon, Audrey realizes that it doesn't matter how well you think you know someone -- you don't know what they're capable of until their secrets are threatened. . .

Fragile Cord - Emma Salisbury 2016-08-12

How far would you go to hide the truth? A small boy lies drowned in the bottom of a bath His mother is found with a noose around her neck... The local community is in shock. Introducing Salford detectives Kevin Coupland and Alex Moreton as they investigate what appears to be a routine murder-suicide. Tracey Kavanagh was her usual upbeat self; right up until the moment she drowned her son and tied a rope around her neck killing herself and her unborn child. For

Alex Moreton, this case couldn't have come at a worse time, battling with her partner over whether to have another child, she is superstitious about pushing their luck - they're happy enough as they are...aren't they? DS Kevin Coupland is dealing with a serious assault outside a wine bar in Swinton. Devoted family man Ricky Wilson is brutally stabbed following an altercation with youths while out with his wife and their children to celebrate her birthday. Coupland and Moreton's cases merge when it transpires that Tracey and Ricky were tragically connected. Is it possible that there could be more to these two investigations than pure coincidence? And what was Tracey Kavanagh so frightened of she thought wiping out her family was the answer? As the past collides with the present Coupland uncovers a tragic secret that will destroy Tracey's family, or what's left of it. Coupland must choose whether the truth shall come out - or be taken to the grave. FRAGILE CORD is an emotional rollercoaster charting the psychological meltdown of a mother with a deadly secret. Fans of Mark Billingham and Lynda La Plante will be gripped by this exceptional crime fiction series. Watch out for more from D.S. Coupland A Detective battling personal tragedy, Kevin Coupland will stop at nothing to protect a key witness in a drive-by shooting. FRAGILE CORD is the first book in the series - book two, A PLACE OF SAFETY and Book three ONE BAD TURN are out now. What people are saying about Fragile Cord 'A police procedural done right.' 'Keeps you guessing.' 'Tautly written, well-paced with a strong sense of place. Could be the start of a smart series.' 'A page-turner that keeps you guessing right to the final twist.' 'Once started I couldn't put down.' 'Hope it's not the last we hear of Coupland and Moreton!' 'Emma Salisbury slaps you with a surprise right from the get-go and keeps you riveted trying to figure out "why, why, why?"' Never during the basic story does she drop you little hints. Not one time. Why does a seemingly normal, happy family get torn asunder?' Carol Piner, Kindle Book Review

**The Never List** - Koethi Zan 2014-06-24

Best friends Sarah and Jennifer are abducted from a cab and held captive for three years in a dungeon-like cellar by a sadistic man, a trauma Sarah tries to understand a decade later as she

pursues healing and unravels a horrifying mystery.

**A Death In Sweden: A Thriller** - Kevin Wignall  
2016-01-21

Former CIA operative Dan is a man in need of a lifeline. He is now an agent for hire by foreign powers on the hunt for dangerous fugitives. It's a lethal world at the best of times, and Dan knows his number is almost up. His next job could be his last—and his next job is his biggest yet. The target sounds trackable enough:

Jacques Fillon, who gave up his life trying to save a fellow passenger following a bus crash in northern Sweden. But the man was something of an enigma in this rural community, and his death exposes his greatest secret: Jacques Fillon never existed at all. Dan is tasked with uncovering Fillon's true identity—but can he do so before his own past catches up with him?

**Fatal Accusation: A Stein & Associates Thriller** - Marian K. Riedy 2020-06-04

Attorney Miranda Patel, exploring the murky circumstances surrounding the near-fatal head injury inflicted on her former paralegal, Jessica Lane, uncovers a connection between Jessica and the hacking of the National Security Agency. Could Jessica have gone to the dark side? Then, suspicion is cast on others connected with Miranda's law firm. Miranda and her colleagues have unknowingly found themselves caught in a complex retribution scheme devised by Ed Dante and his childhood friend, Chad Blakely. Long ago, these two men entered judgment and have now begun meting out punishment for past offenses against them, justly so, in their minds, settling scores without bloodshed or violence but with planning, patience, and skill. In the end, justice is done. Miranda and her friends uncover the falsity of the accusations and thwart Ed and Chad's plans. Or do they? Were the lawyers just pawns all along?

**The Fragile Hope** - William Oday 2016-12-29

A father caught between love and duty, between protecting his family and protecting the president. Two months after the outbreak and ex-soldier Mason West works to protect both his family and the president, even as the needs of the two come into conflict. The West family endures the challenges of trying to rebuild

inside the Green Zone in San Francisco.

Surrounded by sub-humans and struggling to maintain basic security, the future of civilization hangs in the balance. Nothing is easy. Nothing is certain. In the end, survival requires sacrifice. But going too far might destroy everything they're fighting for. The Fragile Hope is the third novel in the gut-wrenching Edge of Survival series. If you like nonstop action and intrigue, then you'll love William Oday's nail-biting third installment.

**Before She Knew Him** - Peter Swanson  
2019-03-05

Catching a killer is dangerous—especially if he lives next door From the hugely talented author of The Kind Worth Killing comes an exquisitely chilling tale of a young suburban wife with a history of psychological instability whose fears about her new neighbor could lead them both to murder . . . Hen and her husband Lloyd have settled into a quiet life in a new house outside of Boston, Massachusetts. Hen (short for Henrietta) is an illustrator and works out of a studio nearby, and has found the right meds to control her bipolar disorder. Finally, she's found some stability and peace. But when they meet the neighbors next door, that calm begins to erode as she spots a familiar object displayed on the husband's office shelf. The sports trophy looks exactly like one that went missing from the home of a young man who was killed two years ago. Hen knows because she's long had a fascination with this unsolved murder—an obsession she doesn't talk about anymore, but can't fully shake either. Could her neighbor, Matthew, be a killer? Or is this the beginning of another psychotic episode like the one she suffered back in college, when she became so consumed with proving a fellow student guilty that she ended up hurting a classmate? The more Hen observes Matthew, the more she suspects he's planning something truly terrifying. Yet no one will believe her. Then one night, when she comes face to face with Matthew in a dark parking lot, she realizes that he knows she's been watching him, that she's really on to him. And that this is the beginning of a horrifying nightmare she may not live to escape. . .