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Brighter Than the Sun

Harper Collins *When Charles Wycombe, the dashing and incorrigible Earl of Billington, toppled out of a tree and landed at Ellie's feet, neither suspected that such an inauspicious meeting would lead to marriage. But Charles must find a bride before his thirtieth birthday or he'll lose his fortune. And Ellie needs a husband or her father's odious fiancée will choose one for her. And so they agree to wed, even though their match appears to have been made somewhere hotter than heaven ... Ellie never dreamed she'd marry a stranger, especially one with such a devastating combination of rakish charm and debonair wit. She tries to keep him at arm's length, at least until she discovers the man beneath the handsome surface. But Charles can be quite persuasive -- even tender -- when he puts his mind to it, and Ellie finds herself slipping under his seductive spell. And as one kiss leads to another, this unlikely pair discovers that their marriage is not so inconvenient after all ... and just might lead to love.*

Everything and the Moon

Harper Collins *It was indisputably love at first sight. But Victoria Lyndon was merely the teenaged daughter of a vicar. . .while Robert Kemble was the dashing young earl of Macclesfield. Surely what their meddling fathers insisted must have been true-that he was a reckless seducer determined to destroy her innocence. . . and she was a shameless fortune hunter. So it most certainly was for the best when their plans to elope went hopelessly awry. Even after a seven-year separation, Victoria-now a governess-still leaves Robert breathless. But how could he ever again trust the raven-haired deceiver who had shattered his soul? And Victoria could never give her heart a second time to the cad who so callously trampled on it the first. But a passion fated will not be denied, and vows of love yearn to be kept. . . even when one promises the moon.*

Brighter Than the Sun

The novel takes us into the twilight between nuclear war and an attempt to prevent it. In the shadow, a 'limited' holocaust unfolds, so extensive in consequences, that the past no longer applies. Here a quiet searching begins for what is ultimately real, for something that goes deeper than the conventions. In the contrast with tragedy a multithreaded romance develops that encompasses five families; two Russian, one Canadian, one Japanese, and one American. Their experiences, aspirations, struggles and stories take us on a voyage across fifteen time zones, three contrasting cultures, in a humanist landscape that is constantly changing. Initial involvements with rescue efforts trail out into a chance to build a New World with a new life in Russia. Struggling for justice, the protagonists face new challenges, hidden conspiracies, and ultimately tragedies as they have to flee political persecutions in a small-minded world and start all over again. But each time they start anew, they start from a higher basis with triumphs from the depth of their growing love that becomes ever-brighter. In their unfolding humanity with the demands by love to uplift their marriages to a higher platform that comes to light as natural universal love and brotherhood, the conventional institutions become gradually raised up, though not without a struggle, always reaching forward to the preciously enduring that comes to light as the evermore valid while the artificial axioms fall away. Thus, the nuclear nightmare that starts with a fire brighter than the Sun, rouses a light within that becomes its own brightest star in the heavens.

Christmas Eve at Friday Harbor

St. Martin's Press *When his sister dies, Mark Nolan is left in charge of her six-year-old daughter, Holly, who refuses to speak after her mother's death, until she makes a connection with widowed toy shop owner Maggie Collins.*

Minx

Harper Collins *It takes a minx to tempt a rogue...Beautiful and feisty Henrietta Barrett has never followed the dictates of society. She manages her elderly guardian's estate, prefers to wear breeches rather than dresses, and answers to the unlikely name of Henry. But when her guardian passes away, her beloved home falls into the hands of a distant cousin. And it takes a rogue to tame her...William Dunford, London's most elusive bachelor, is stunned to learn that he's inherited property, a title...and a ward bent on making his first visit his last. Henry is determined to continue running the Cornwall estate without help from the handsome new lord, but Dunford is just as sure he can change things...starting with his wild young ward. But turning Henry into a lady makes her not only the darling of the town, but an irresistible attraction to the man who thought he could never be tempted.*

How to Marry a Marquis

Harper Collins *When James Sidwell, Marquis of Riverdale, offered to help Elizabeth Hotchkiss find herself a husband, he never dreamed that the only candidate he could propose would be himself..*

To Catch an Heiress

Harper Collins *When Caroline Trent is kidnapped by Blake Ravenscroft, she doesn't even try to elude this dangerously handsome agent of the crown. After all, she's been running from unwanted marriage proposals. Yes, Blake believes she's a notorious spy named Carlotta De Leon, but for six weeks until her twenty-first birthday, when she'll gain control of her fortune, hiding out in the titillating company of a mysterious captor is awfully convenient -- and maybe just a little romantic, too. Blake Ravenscroft's mission is to bring "Carlotta" to justice, not to fall in love. His heart has been hardened by years of intrigue, but this little temptress proves oddly disarming and thoroughly kissable. And suddenly the unthinkable becomes possible -- that this mismatched Couple might be destined for love.*

The Lady Most Willing...

A Novel in Three Parts

Harper Collins *From Julia Quinn, the author of Bridgerton—along with close friends and bestselling authors Eloisa James and Connie Brockway—comes a thrilling tale of a snow-bound party in a Scottish castle. And You're Invited! When Laird Taran Ferguson's nephews refuse to find brides, he takes matters into his own hands, raiding a ball and bringing some lovely young ladies to his castle. Which author do you think escorted which heroine to the castle? Miss Fiona Chisholm, a beauty with a scandalous past Lady Cecily Tarleton, a lovely heiress—but she's English Miss Catriona Burns, a lady with no name or fortune, so clearly someone made a mistake! When it comes to gentlemen, did Eloisa invite an earl so stern that he broke his engagement after a mere whiff of scandal? Did Connie suggest that the Duke of Bretton fall asleep in the carriage used in a kidnapping? Did Julia bring a rogue*

whose reputation proceeds him? A novel in three parts, as fresh and charming as the Highland air, written by three of the very best writers of historical romance.

Mr. Cavendish, I Presume LP

Harper Collins *Amelia Willoughby has been engaged to Thomas Cavendish, Duke of Wyndham, since she was a baby, but Thomas seems in no hurry to marry her, until his long-lost cousin arrives to threaten his claim to the dukedom and to Amelia.*

Sexiest Billionaire

Sierra Cartwright *Forbidden romance.... An exclusive society of the world's most powerful gentlemen. Nothing will get between them and the women they want. Jaxon Mills is stunned—then furious—when sees his biggest investor’s daughter at one of the most exclusive clubs in New Orleans, dressed in a scandalous outfit and wearing an inviting smile. The tempting woman with the compassionate heart is supposed to be tucked away at grad school, where’s she safe from men like him. Willow Henderson has one escape from her overprotective family—the French Quarter. There, she can be anonymous, even if only for a short time. But she never expects to come face-to-face with Jaxon, a sexy self-made billionaire Dom whose arrogance is matched only by his bank account. Jax, an avowed workaholic determined to outrun his troubled past, has never allowed a woman to distract him. Until Willow. And when he discovers she’s a virgin, it’s more than a dominant urge that flares. It’s an honorable instinct he hadn’t known he was capable of. He will do anything to make her his.*

Brighter Than the Sun

Piatkus Books *Jane Austen meets Bridget Jones in Julia Quinn's delightful Regency-set romantic comedies*

The Lost Duke of Wyndham

Harper Collins *Jack Audley has been a highwayman. A soldier. And he has always been a rogue. What he is not, and never wanted to be, is a peer of the realm, responsible for an ancient heritage and the livelihood of hundreds. But when he is recognized as the long-lost son of the House of Wyndham, his carefree life is over. And if his birth proves to be legitimate, then he will find himself with the one title he never wanted: Duke of Wyndham. Grace Eversleigh has spent the last five years toiling as the companion to the dowager Duchess of Wyndham. It is a thankless job, with very little break from the routine . . . until Jack Audley lands in her life, all rakish smiles and debonair charm. He is not a man who takes no for an answer, and when she is in his arms, she's not a woman who wants to say no. But if he is the true duke, then he is the one man she can never have . . .*

Stranger in My Arms

Harper Collins *“One of today’s leading lights in romantic fiction.” —Seattle Times USA Today and New York Times bestselling author Lisa Kleypas is one of America’s most acclaimed and popular authors of historical romance fiction—and Stranger in My Arms is one of her most beloved novels! A classic tale of a noble lady whose life is upended when her despised husband—believed lost at sea—returns, a remarkably altered, more passionate and loving man...if he is, indeed, who he claims to be. A two-time RITA Award-winner—and a nine-time nominee—Lisa Kleypas is at her sensuous best with Stranger in My Arms.*

Lady Whistledown Strikes Back

Zondervan *Join the Bridgertons, and the rest of the ton, as they pore over (and gossip about) Lady Whistledown’s latest musings. The elusive Regency-era gossip columnist -- popularized in # 1 New York Times bestselling author Julia Quinn's Bridgerton novels, now a series created by Shondaland for Netflix - reveals society’s most recent secrets in this second glittering anthology, following the New York Times bestseller, The Further Observations of Lady Whistledown. Who Stole Lady Neeley’s Bracelet? Was it the fortune hunter, the gambler, the servant, or the rogue? All of London is abuzz with speculation, but it is clear that one of four couples is connected to the crime. —Lady Whistledown’s Society Papers, May 1816 Julia Quinn enchants: A dashing fortune hunter is captivated by the Season’s most desired debutante . . . and must prove he is out to steal the lady’s heart, not her dowry. Suzanne Enoch tantalizes: An innocent miss who has spent her life scrupulously avoiding scandal is suddenly—and secretly—courted by London’s most notorious rogue. Karen Hawkins seduces: A roving viscount comes home to rekindle the passionate fires of his marriage . . . only to discover that his beautiful, headstrong bride will not be so easily won. Mia Ryan delights: A lovely, free-spirited servant is dazzled by the romantic attentions of a charming earl . . . sparking a scandalous affair that could ruin them both. You’ll hear it first from Lady Whistledown!*

The Lady Most Likely... LP

Harper Collins *Three of the brightest stars of historical romance invite you to a party at the country home of the Honorable Marquess of Finchley Hugh Dunne, the Earl of Briarly, needs a wife, so his sister hands him a list of delectable damsels and promises to invite them— and a few other gentlemen—to her country house for what is sure to be the event of the season. Hugh will have time to woo whichever lady he most desires . . . Unless someone else snatches her first. The invitation list includes: The horse-mad but irresistibly handsome Earl of Briarly The always outspoken Miss Katherine Peyton The dashing war hero Captain Neill Oakes The impossibly beautiful (and painfully shy) Miss Gwendolyn Passmore The terribly eligible new Earl of Charters The widowed Lady Georgina Sorrell (who has no plans to marry, ever) And your hostess, Lady Carolyn Finchley, an irrepressible matchmaker who plans to find the lady most likely . . . to capture her brother’s untamed heart.*

The Ladies Most...

The Collected Works: The Lady Most Likely/The Lady Most Willing

HarperCollins *Three bestselling authors. Two delightful novels. One terrific collection! From Julia Quinn, author of the Bridgerton series, now streaming on Netflix—writing along with close friends and popular authors Eloisa James and Connie Brockway—comes THE LADIES MOST... a duo of cleverly crafted novels, The Lady Most Likely and The Lady Most Willing, together for the first time. THE LADY MOST LIKELY Hugh Dunne, the Earl of Briarly, needs a wife, so his sister hands him a list of delectable damsels and promises to invite them—and a few other gentlemen—to her country house for what is sure to be the event of the season. Hugh will have time to woo whichever lady he most desires. Unless someone else snatches her first. The invitation list includes: The always outspoken Miss Katherine Peyton The impossibly beautiful (and painfully shy) Miss Gwendolyn Passmore The widowed Lady Georgina Sorrell (who has no plans to marry, ever) And your hostess, Lady Carolyn Finchley, an irrepressible matchmaker with romantic plans for every last one of them—especially THE LADY MOST LIKELY to marry an eligible Earl. THE LADY MOST WILLING Taran Ferguson, laird of his clan, is determined that his ancient (if not so honorable) birthright be secured before he dies. When both his nephews refuse to wed, he takes matters into his own hands, raiding an English lord’s Christmas ball and making off with four lovely potential brides (and one very irate duke). When his nephews, the Comte de Rocheforte and the Earl of Oakley, arrive for their annual holiday visit, they are drawn into a matchmaking party, of sorts. Among the unwitting guests are: Miss Fiona Chisholm, a beauty with a scandalous past Lady Cecily Tarleton, a lovely heiress—but she’s English Miss Catriona Burns, a lady with no name or fortune, so clearly someone made a mistake! As the snow piles up outside the highland castle, and the guests are forced to pass the time together, the initial dismay turns to unanticipated attractions and then irresistible passions - and indeed, there might be one LADY MOST WILLING to marry a Scottish lord.*

Something Else

NineStar Press *When his father died, David Mulkerin gave up teaching in Sydney to come home and run the family farm in western NSW. He is driven by personal demons and family tragedy to see it through, despite his love of teaching and the ongoing drought and debt. When David meets the new local doctor Martin James, there is a meeting of minds and dark pasts. Martin is intrigued by David’s closed demeanour and makes an effort to reach him. They strike up a friendship, able to understand the pain in each other’s past. When David discovers that Martin is gay, he feels duped and betrayed, but the revelation forces him to confront what it means to love someone and how sometimes we don’t get to choose.*

The Wit and Wisdom of Bridgerton

Lady Whistledown's Official Guide

HarperCollins *From the #1 New York Times bestselling author Julia Quinn comes a highly designed, colorful collection of quotes, wit, and wisdom from Lady Whistledown and the most memorable characters of the much-loved Bridgerton books, now a series created by Shondaland for Netflix. A collection of the most dramatic, romantic, and memorable quotes from the charming characters of the Bridgerton world, The Wit and Wisdom of Bridgerton is the perfect gift for fans of the Bridgerton series and the groundbreaking Shondaland/Netflix adaptation. With her signature wink and nod, Lady Whistledown herself will act as readers’ familiar and trusted guide, introducing each character’s most memorable quotes. Each chapter in the book will highlight a different character from the Bridgerton series and include a new introduction from Lady Whistledown, quotes from the character, and things other characters have said about them over the course of the entire series. Fans will get a 360-degree view of each of their favorite personalities, with new commentary and takeaways from Lady Whistledown. From Daphne, to Simon, to Penelope, to Colin, fans will enter the Bridgerton world in a completely new way with a fresh and intimate perspective of each character. Readers will relive the twists and turns of the books, taking (or not taking) the advice on love, family, etiquette, and fashion from the most beloved and unforgettable voices from Bridgerton. With an introduction from the creator of the Bridgerton world and #1 NYT Bestselling author Julia Quinn, The Wit and Wisdom of Bridgerton is a highly designed keepsake and unique addition to the Regency-set series.*

Sexy As Hell

Penguin *Second in the all-new trilogy from the New York Times bestselling author of Gorgeous as Sin If his mistress is missing, then who's the woman in the baron's bed? When Baron Lenox's assignation with his mistress goes awry, he finds himself in bed with the wrong lady. The potential scandal leaves him with one option: marry the innocent mystery woman. But Isolde Perceval has no intention of marrying Lenox. In fact, she orchestrated the compromising situation herself-for reasons that are unpredictable, riotously romantic, and sexy as hell.*

Miss Butterworth and the Mad Baron

A Graphic Novel

HarperCollins *From #1 New York Times bestselling author Julia Quinn comes this irresistible treat, a charming and jaunty graphic novel, based on story snippets peppered throughout a number of her books. Originally mentioned in It’s in His Kiss—one of the Bridgerton novels which inspired the smash Netflix series Bridgerton—Miss Butterworth and the Mad Baron is finally told here in its entirety for the first time. A madcap romantic adventure, Miss Butterworth and the Mad Baron has appeared in several Julia Quinn novels and enthralled some of her most beloved characters. Now this delicious tale of love and peril is available for everyone to enjoy in this wonderfully unconventional graphic novel. Born into a happy family that is tragically ravaged by smallpox, Miss Priscilla Butterworth uses her wits to survive a series of outlandish trials. Cruelly separated from her beloved mother and grandmother, the young girl is sent to live with a callous aunt who forces her to work for her keep. Eventually, the clever and tenderhearted Miss Butterworth makes her escape . . . a daring journey into the unknown that unexpectedly leads her to the “mad” baron and a lifetime of love. Delightfully illustrated by Violet Charles, told in Julia Quinn’s playful voice, Miss Butterworth and the Mad Baron is a high-spirited nineteenth-century romp that will entertain and enchant modern readers.*

Act of War

Lyndon Johnson, North Korea, and the Capture of the Spy Ship Pueblo

Penguin **WINNER OF THE SAMUEL ELIOT MORISON AWARD FOR NAVAL LITERATURE** *“I devoured Act of War the way I did Flyboys, Flags of Our Fathers and Lost in Shangri-la.”—Michael Connelly, #1 New York Times Bestselling Author* In 1968, the small, dilapidated American spy ship USS Pueblo set out to pinpoint military radar stations along the coast of North Korea. Though packed with advanced electronic-surveillance equipment and classified intelligence documents, its crew, led by ex-submarine officer Pete Bucher, was made up mostly of untested young sailors. On a frigid January morning, the Pueblo was challenged by a North Korean gunboat. When Bucher tried to escape, his ship was quickly surrounded by more boats, shelled and machine-gunned, forced to surrender, and taken prisoner. Less than forty-eight hours before the Pueblo’s capture, North Korean commandos had nearly succeeded in assassinating South Korea’s president. The two explosive incidents pushed Cold War tensions toward a flashpoint. Based on extensive interviews and numerous government documents released through the Freedom of Information Act, Act of War tells the riveting saga of Bucher and his men as they struggled to survive merciless torture and horrendous living conditions set against the backdrop of an international powder keg.

The Wednesday Wars

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt *During the 1967 school year, on Wednesday afternoons when all his classmates go to either Catechism or Hebrew school, seventh-grader Holling Hoodhood stays in Mrs. Baker's classroom where they read the plays of William Shakespeare and Holling learns much of value about the world he lives in.*

Remember Love

Hachette **UK** *'One of the best!' Julia Quinn, Sunday Times bestselling author of the Bridgerton series* A new series by Mary Balogh, bestselling author of The Westcott series. If you loved Bridgerton, you'll adore Mary Balogh. The handsome and charismatic Earl of Stratton, Caleb Ware, has been exposed to the ton for his clandestine affairs-by his own son. As a child, Devlin Ware thought his family stood for all that was right and good in the world. They were kind, gracious, and shared the beauty of Ravenwood, their grand country estate, by hosting lavish parties for the entire countryside. But at twenty-two, he discovered his whole world was an elaborate illusion, and when Devlin publicly called his family to account for it, he was exiled as a traitor. So be it. He enlisted in the fight against Napoleon and didn't look back for six years. But now his father is dead, the Ware family is broken, and as the heir he is being called home. It's only when Gwyneth Rhys-the woman he loved and then lost after his family banished him-holds out her hand to help him that he is able make the difficult journey and try to piece together his fractured family. It is Gwyneth's loyalty, patience, and love that he needs. But is Devlin's war-hardened heart even capable of offering her love in return? Praise for Mary Balogh 'A grand mistress of the genre' Romantic Times 'Balogh is the queen of spicy Regency-era romance, creating memorable characters in unforgettable stories' Booklist 'Mary Balogh sets the gold standard in historical romance' New York Times bestselling author Jayne Ann Krentz 'A romance writer of mesmerising intensity, Mary Balogh has the gift of making a relationship seem utterly real and utterly compelling' Mary Jo Putney

The Dash Between the Numbers

Xlibris Corporation "The Dash Between the Numbers" is a powerful story of love, romance, heartbreak and dealing with adversity. It sheds light on one important addiction that exists in our society that is mostly ignored or swept under the rug: Mens´ sex addiction. This powerful story takes us on a journey that chronicles the birth and progression of sex addiction, which started fairly innocently with our Hero (Michael) and his struggle to overcome it by being in love with a woman whom he loved very passionately. The story has a couple of twists to it that take the reader in an unexpected direction.

Hateship, Friendship, Courtship, Loveship, Marriage

McClelland & Stewart As always, Alice Munro surprises us. While the nine stories in this new collection could not be written by anyone else, they are subtly different. The title story, for example, ranges from small-town Ontario just after the war to a near-deserted hotel on the bald Saskatchewan prairie. The setting may be strange, uncharted Munro territory, but the plot is familiar, with two lives changed forever by a random act of mischief that can never be revealed. "Floating Bridge" is also a typical Alice Munro story, but different. Forty-two-year-old Jinny is fighting cancer, and the front room in their middle-class home is turned into a sickroom. Her husband hires a girl to look after her, and they visit the girl's trailer park relatives. Class tensions are exposed ("You know you'll hurt their feelings," he whispered. "They're trying to be nice to you."), and then something both unbelievable and totally believable happens to conclude the story in a way the reader will never forget. Other stories contain lines that change the world. A promisingly flirtatious reunion with a teenage sweetheart, now married, takes an unexpected turn. ("About our youngest boy," he said. "Our youngest boy was killed last summer." Oh. "He was run over," he said. "I was the one who ran over him. Backing out of our driveway." I stopped again. He stopped with me. Both of us stared ahead. "His name was Brian. He was three.") In this great book by one of the world's great writers, the settings may be Vancouver Island, small-town Ontario, Toronto, or Vancouver, but the stories are universal, and the characters – no, the people in the stories – are unforgettable.

Burn You Twice

Montlake Romance Fire can destroy the past. It can also uncover secrets in this novel of searing suspense by New York Times bestselling author Mary Burton. Ten years ago as an undergrad, Joan Mason escaped an arsonist's fire. Shaken, she fled the small collegiate Montana town, leaving behind friends and not looking back. Now a Philadelphia homicide detective, Joan's trying to put her traumas to rest. It's not easy. Elijah Weston, the classmate who torched her house, is out of prison and returning to Missoula. Gut instinct tells Joan he'll strike again. To stop him, she must return to the past as well. To face not only the man she fears but Detective Gideon Bailey, too. The man she loved and left behind. When a local woman dies tragically in another fire, it can't be a coincidence. Can it be Elijah? He has a solid alibi for the night of the blaze. Reunited by the tragedy, Joan and Gideon have their doubts. So does Gideon's sister, Ann--Joan's old college roommate. The investigation draws Joan and Gideon together, but it also sends them down a dangerous path--into a troubling history that Joan, Elijah, and Ann all share. As more lives go up in flames in Missoula, this town's secrets are just beginning to rise from the ashes.

The Girls

A Novel

Random House Trade Paperbacks THE INSTANT BESTSELLER • An indelible portrait of girls, the women they become, and that moment in life when everything can go horribly wrong NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY The Washington Post • NPR • The Guardian • Entertainment Weekly • San Francisco Chronicle • Financial Times • Esquire • Newsweek • Vogue • Glamour • People • The Huffington Post • Elle • Harper's Bazaar • Time Out • BookPage • Publishers Weekly • Slate Northern California, during the violent end of the 1960s. At the start of summer, a lonely and thoughtful teenager, Evie Boyd, sees a group of girls in the park, and is immediately caught by their freedom, their careless dress, their dangerous aura of abandon. Soon, Evie is in thrall to Suzanne, a mesmerizing older girl, and is drawn into the circle of a soon-to-be infamous cult and the man who is its charismatic leader. Hidden in the hills, their sprawling ranch is eerie and run down, but to Evie, it is exotic, thrilling, charged—a place where she feels desperate to be accepted. As she spends more time away from her mother and the rhythms of her daily life, and as her obsession with Suzanne intensifies, Evie does not realize she is coming closer and closer to unthinkable violence. Finalist for the Los Angeles Times Book Prize • Finalist for the National Book Critics Circle John Leonard Award • Shortlisted for The Center for Fiction First Novel Prize • The New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice • Emma Cline—One of Granta's Best of Young American Novelists Praise for The Girls "Spellbinding . . . a seductive and arresting coming-of-age story."—The New York Times Book Review "Extraordinary . . . Debut novels like this are rare, indeed."—The Washington Post "Hypnotic."—The Wall Street Journal "Gorgeous."—Los Angeles Times "Savage."—The Guardian "Astonishing."—The Boston Globe "Superbly written."—James Wood, The New Yorker "Intensely consuming."—Richard Ford "A spectacular achievement."—Lucy Atkins, The Times "Thrilling."—Jennifer Egan "Compelling and startling."—The Economist

The Luck of Barry Lyndon

A Romance of the Last Century

Travels with Charley

In Search of America

Penguin UK In 1960, when he was almost 60 years old, John Steinbeck set out to rediscover the United States, feeling he might have lost touch with its sights sounds and the essence of its people. This book describes his travels in a pick-up truck across nearly 40 states with his dog Charlie, a French poodle.

Legislation Affecting Veterans

The Passage of Power

The Years of Lyndon Johnson IV

Vintage WINNER OF THE NATIONAL BOOK CRITICS CIRCLE AWARD, THE LOS ANGELES TIMES BOOK PRIZE, THE MARK LYNTON HISTORY PRIZE, THE AMERICAN HISTORY BOOK PRIZE *Book Four* of Robert A. Caro's monumental *The Years of Lyndon Johnson* displays all the narrative energy and illuminating insight that led the *Times of London* to acclaim it as "one of the truly great political biographies of the modern age. A masterpiece." *The Passage of Power* follows Lyndon Johnson through both the most frustrating and the most triumphant periods of his career—1958 to 1964. It is a time that would see him trade the extraordinary power he had created for himself as Senate Majority Leader for what became the wretched powerlessness of a Vice President in an administration that disdained and distrusted him. Yet it was, as well, the time in which the presidency, the goal he had always pursued, would be thrust upon him in the moment it took an assassin's bullet to reach its mark. By 1958, as Johnson began to maneuver for the presidency, he was known as one of the most brilliant politicians of his time, the greatest Senate Leader in our history. But the 1960 nomination would go to the young senator from Massachusetts, John F. Kennedy. Caro gives us an unparalleled account of the machinations behind both the nomination and Kennedy's decision to offer Johnson the vice presidency, revealing the extent of Robert Kennedy's efforts to force Johnson off the ticket. With the consummate skill of a master storyteller, he exposes the savage animosity between Johnson and Kennedy's younger brother, portraying one of America's great political feuds. Yet Robert Kennedy's overt contempt for Johnson was only part of the burden of humiliation and isolation he bore as Vice President. With a singular understanding of Johnson's heart and mind, Caro describes what it was like for this mighty politician to find himself altogether powerless in a world in which power is the crucial commodity. For the first time, in Caro's breathtakingly vivid narrative, we see the Kennedy assassination through Lyndon Johnson's eyes. We watch Johnson step into the presidency, inheriting a staff fiercely loyal to his slain predecessor; a Congress determined to retain its power over the executive branch; and a nation in shock and mourning. We see how within weeks—grasping the reins of the presidency with supreme mastery—he propels through Congress essential legislation that at the time of Kennedy's death seemed hopelessly logjammed and seizes on a dormant Kennedy program to create the revolutionary War on Poverty. Caro makes clear how the political genius with which Johnson had ruled the Senate now enabled him to make the presidency wholly his own. This was without doubt Johnson's finest hour, before his aspirations and accomplishments were overshadowed and eroded by the trap of Vietnam. In its exploration of this pivotal period in Johnson's life—and in the life of the nation—*The Passage of Power* is not only the story of how he surmounted unprecedented obstacles in order to fulfill the highest purpose of the presidency but is, as well, a revelation of both the pragmatic potential in the presidency and what can be accomplished when the chief executive has the vision and determination to move beyond the pragmatic and initiate programs designed to transform a nation. It is an epic story told with a depth of detail possible only through the peerless research that forms the foundation of Robert Caro's work, confirming Nicholas von Hoffman's verdict that "Caro has changed the art of political biography."

Architecture

Form, Space, and Order

John Wiley & Sons A superb visual reference to the principles of architecture Now including interactive CD-ROM! For more than thirty years, the beautifully illustrated *Architecture: Form, Space, and Order* has been the classic introduction to the basic vocabulary of architectural design. The updated *Third Edition* features expanded sections on circulation, light, views, and site context, along with new considerations of environmental factors, building codes, and contemporary examples of form, space, and order. This classic visual reference helps both students and practicing architects understand the basic vocabulary of architectural design by examining how form and space are ordered in the built environment.? Using his trademark meticulous drawing, Professor Ching shows the relationship between fundamental elements of architecture through the ages and across cultural boundaries. By looking at these seminal ideas, *Architecture: Form, Space, and Order* encourages the reader to look critically at the built environment and promotes a more evocative understanding of architecture. In addition to updates to content and many of the illustrations, this new edition includes a companion CD-ROM that brings the book's architectural concepts to life through three-dimensional models and animations created by Professor Ching.

The Chanel Sisters

A Novel

Harlequin A *USA Today* and *Globe and Mail* bestseller! A novel of survival, love, loss, triumph—and the sisters who changed fashion forever Antoinette and Gabrielle “Coco” Chanel know they're destined for something better. Abandoned by their family at a young age, they've grown up under the guidance of nuns preparing them for simple lives as the wives of tradesmen or shopkeepers. At night, their secret stash of romantic novels and magazine cutouts beneath the floorboards are all they have to keep their dreams of the future alive. The walls of the convent can't shield them forever, and when they're finally of age, the Chanel sisters set out together with a fierce determination to prove themselves worthy to a society that has never accepted them. Their journey propels them out of poverty and to the stylish cafés of Moulins, the dazzling performance halls of Vichy—and to a small hat shop on the rue Cambon in Paris, where a boutique business takes hold and expands to the glamorous French resort towns. But the sisters' lives are again thrown into turmoil when World War I breaks out, forcing them to make irrevocable choices, and they'll have to gather the courage to fashion their own places in the world, even if apart from each other. “*The Chanel Sisters* explores with care the timeless need for belonging, purpose, and love, and the heart's relentless pursuit of these despite daunting odds. Beautifully told to the last page.” —Susan Meissner, bestselling author of *The Last Year of the War*

Splendid

Harper Collins Based on the phenomenal growth of Quinn's popularity, and her four-week stint on the *New York Times* bestseller list with *Romancing Mr Bridgerton*, it's the perfect time to revisit Ms Quinn's 'splendid' storytelling. American heiress Emma Dunster has always been fun-loving and independent with no wish to settle into marriage. She plans to enjoy her Season in London in more unconventional ways than husband-hunting. But this time Emma's high-jinks lead her into dangerous temptation... Alexander Ridgely, the Duke of Ashbourne, is a notorious rake who carefully avoids the risk of love...until he plants one reckless kiss on the sensuous lips of this high-spirited innocent...and condemns himself to delicious torment. Little does he know that his passion has touched the very soul of the lovely enchantress...and committed them both to a lifetime of splendid ecstasy.

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J-Novel Club When book-loving Lady Elianna spots Prince Christopher—her betrothed in name only—consorting with another noble lady, she realizes the recent rumors must be true. The prince has someone he truly loves, which means the annulment of their engagement is both inevitable and fast-approaching. What she doesn't realize is that this is merely a surface ripple—one of many where the truth runs deep, in a conspiracy surpassing her imagination!

The Little Book of Bridgerton

The Regency World of Bridgerton Laid Bare

Weldon Owen International Need a little more romance in your life? Do you desire to become the suavest rake in London? Want to learn how to swoon in style? Allow *The Little Book of Bridgerton* to act as your social guide as you navigate through the tumultuous and topsy-turvy world of Regency society. Full of quizzes, activities and bite-size nibbles of Regency-era history, the world of *Bridgerton* is laid bare in these pages. Learn how to confidently flirt with fans, how to properly describe a gentleman, and how to successfully deliver a withering insult worthy of Lady Whistledown. Discover delicious details about love, courtship, and the intricate fashion and hairstyles of the Regency period, and so much more. **DIVE INTO REGENCY HISTORY:** Plunge into the scandals and culturally significant moments that marked the extraordinary era of the Regency period **LEARN THE LINGO:** Learn the particulars of the art of Regency-era conversation and be the most charming guest at any soiree **FUN QUIZZES AND ACTIVITIES:** Take a *Bridgerton* character quiz, a Regency society quiz, or play a game of *Rakes and Ladders* that will place you at the you at the top (or bottom) of its complicated social

hierarchy CHECKLIST FOR TRUE LOVE: Check to see if you have a love match as electrifying as that of Daphne and the Duke ALL IN YOUR POCKET: The complete world of Bridgerton is packed into a compact book brimming with facts, advice, history, and scandal

The Jaguar Smile

A Nicaraguan Journey

Abduction Seduction

Where's My Hero?

Harper Collins Dear Avon Books, Where are my heroes? Whenever I'm reading a book by one of my favorite authors I find I'm falling for the wrong guy -- not the hero, but the other man -- and what I really want is for him to have his own story. Like Jake Linley, from Someone to Watch Over Me by Lisa Kleypas...that doctor could sit by my bedside if I ever got sick. And Ned Blyden in Splendid by Julia Quinn...he makes me want to learn to waltz! I never thought living in a drafty castle would be much fun until Simon of Ravenswood in Master of Desire by Kinley MacGregor came along. Anyway, I just wanted to let you know that these are my men -- when do they get their stories? Sincerely, A Romance Fan Some books are so special that there is more than one hero to love, but only a single story is told. So if you find yourself asking, "Where is my hero?" you'll discover the answer right here in this delicious collection by New York Times bestseller Lisa Kleypas, New York Times bestseller Julia Quinn and USA Today bestseller Kinley MacGregor.

An Offer From a Gentleman: The 2nd Epilogue

Harper Collins Everyone deserves a happy ending. Especially Posy Reiling, the decidedly not evil stepsister from An Offer From a Gentleman. She's been living with the Bridgertons for three years, but despite Violet's most fervent matchmaking, she hasn't found a husband. Posy claims she's content to remain a spinster, but Sophie Bridgerton has other plans...