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#### DEADLY ALIBI

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*Oldcastle Books* "A hand gripped her upper arm so suddenly it made her yelp. Biting her lower lip, she spun round, lashing out in terror. As she yanked her arm out of his grasp, her elbow hit the side of his chest. Struggling to cling on to her, he lost his footing. She staggered back and reached out, leaning one hand on the cold wall of the tunnel. Before she had recovered her balance he fell, arms flailing, eyes glaring wildly as he disappeared over the edge of the platform onto the rails below." Geraldine Steel is plunged into a double murder investigation which threatens not only her career, but her life. When her previously unknown twin Helena turns up, her problems threaten to make Geraldine's life turn toxic in more ways than one.

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#### MURDER RING

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*Oldcastle Books* The dead body of unassuming David Lester is discovered in a dark side-street, and DI Geraldine Steel is plunged into another murder investigation. The clues mount up along with the suspects, but with the death of another man in inexplicable circumstances, the case becomes increasingly complex. As Geraldine investigates the seemingly unrelated crimes, she makes a shocking discovery about her birth mother.

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#### CLASS MURDER

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*Oldcastle Books* Geraldine Steel is reunited with her former sergeant, Ian Peterson. When two people are murdered, their only connection lies buried in the past. As police search for the elusive killer, another body is discovered. Pursuing her first investigation in York, Geraldine Steel struggles to solve the baffling case. How can she expose the killer, and rescue her shattered reputation, when all the witnesses are being murdered?

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#### KILLER PLAN

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*Oldcastle Books* Caroline's husband is killed, but she can't turn to the police without implicating herself in his murder. When one of her 10-year-old twins is kidnapped, the desperate mother is forced to resort to drastic measures to get him back. As time runs out, Geraldine realizes she has a secret that might just help solve the case, but the truth could destroy her career. Faced with the unenviable decision of protecting herself or the widow she barely knows, Geraldine must grapple with her conscience and do the right thing before the death count mounts any further.

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#### STOP DEAD

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*Oldcastle Books* Finalist for The People's Book Prize 'UNMISSABLE' - LEE CHILD \* 'A RARE TALENT' - DAILY MAIL \* 'BRILLIANT' - JEFFERY DEEVER When a successful businessman is the victim of a vicious murder, all evidence points to his wife and her young lover. But then the victim's business partner suffers a similarly brutal fate and when yet another body is discovered, seemingly unrelated, the police are baffled. The only clue is DNA that leads them to two women: one dead, the other in prison. With rumours growing of a serial killer in

the city, the pressure to solve the case is high. But can Geraldine find the killer before there's yet another deadly attack? 'Stop Dead is a whodunit of the highest order' - CrimeSquad For fans of Mark Billingham, Angela Marsons and Peter James Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder and Death Rope Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe

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## FATAL ACT

*Oldcastle Books* 'A RARE TALENT' - DAILY MAIL \* 'UNMISSABLE' - LEE CHILD \* 'BRILLIANT' - JEFFERY DEAVER How far would you go to find a murderer? DI Geraldine Steel, known for pushing the boundaries of her position in the name of justice, is on the hunt for a conviction, even if it threatens her life. A glamorous young TV soap star dies in a car crash but despite the severity of the incident, the driver of the second vehicle has somehow survived - and is now missing. When an almost identical case occurs resulting in the murder of another young actress, Geraldine finds herself on the hunt for a serial killer. With mounting evidence, the killer's identity seems within her reach. But with her sergeant's life on the line, Geraldine has a sacrifice to make. 'The best yet from Leigh Russell - she keeps you guessing all the way through and leaves you wanting more' - Crime Book Club Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder and Death Rope Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe

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## ROGUE KILLER

*Oldcastle Books* A man is killed in apparently random attack, and suspicion falls on a gang of muggers. Only Detective Sergeant Geraldine Steel thinks this is the work of a more deliberate murderer. Two more victims are discovered, after further seemingly indiscriminate attacks. The muggers are tracked down, with tragic consequences, but does the killer still remain at large? When Geraldine finally manages to track down a witness, she finds her own life is in danger.

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## KILLER CHRISTMAS

*Oldcastle Books Ltd* Have yourself a deadly little Christmas... 'UNMISSABLE' - LEE CHILD \* 'A RARE TALENT' - DAILY MAIL \* 'BRILLIANT' - JEFFERY DEAVER A standalone short story featuring Detective Geraldine Steel It's Christmas Eve but not all is merry and bright for Detective Geraldine Steel. With her family abroad and her friends booked up, she finds herself alone in York for the holidays. But when a man collapses at the local fair, it's clear that this isn't a case of winter flu. There's a killer in the crowds. Can Geraldine find the culprit before another life is taken? For fans of Peter James, Angela Marsons and Robert Bryndza Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder and Death Rope Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe

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## DEATH BED

*Oldcastle Books* 'UNMISSABLE' - LEE CHILD \* 'BRILLIANT' - JEFFERY DEAVER \* 'COMPELLING' - PETER JAMES When the bodies of two black girls are discovered in North London, the pressure is on to find a killer before the case divides the local community. But motive seems to go far beyond race in DI Geraldine Steel's first investigation in the nation's capital. Two teeth were extracted from each victim, and when this information is leaked to the press, there is a media frenzy over the unusual MO. As the police pursue their lead suspect, a third girl goes missing. With the death toll mounting, time is running out for Geraldine as she hunts for the elusive killer the media are calling 'The Dentist'. 'A nail biting, murderous puzzle that will keep you guessing until the very end' - Fresh Fiction Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder and Death Rope Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe

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## DEAD END

*Oldcastle Books* 'BRILLIANT' - JEFFERY DEAVER \* 'UNMISSABLE' - LEE CHILD \* 'COMPELLING' - PETER JAMES Headmistress Abigail Kirby is dead. A potential witness has been murdered. And for DI Geraldine Steel, the stakes have been raised yet higher. Abigail's teenage daughter, Lucy, is missing, believed to have run away with a girl she met online. Time is quickly running out for Geraldine before her naivety costs Lucy her life. But with a serial killer on the loose, Geraldine's own life is in danger, and though her Sergeant Ian Peterson makes a shocking discovery, could it be too late to save her from a dreadful fate? 'Good, old-fashioned, heart-hammering police thriller...a no-frills delivery of pure excitement' - SAGA Magazine For fans of Peter James, Angela Marsons and Robert Bryndza Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End,

Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder and Death Rope Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe

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## DEATH ROPE

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*Oldcastle Books Ltd* 'Brilliant and chilling, Leigh Russell delivers a cracker of a read!' - Martina Cole The eleventh novel in the million-copy selling Detective Geraldine Steel series 'UNMISSABLE' - LEE CHILD \* 'A RARE TALENT' - DAILY MAIL \* 'BRILLIANT' - JEFFERY DEAVER Mark Abbott is dead. His sister refuses to believe it was suicide, but only Detective Sergeant Geraldine Steel will listen. When other members of Mark's family disappear, Geraldine's suspicions are confirmed. Taking a risk, Geraldine finds herself confronted by an adversary deadlier than any she has faced before... Her boss Ian is close, but will he arrive in time to save her, or is this the end for Geraldine Steel? For fans of Peter James, Faith Martin and LJ Ross Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder and Death Rope, plus the special Christmas short story, Killer Christmas Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe

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## CUT SHORT

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*Oldcastle Books* The first novel in the million copy selling series. Have you met DI Geraldine Steel yet? 'UNMISSABLE' - LEE CHILD \* 'COMPELLING' - PETER JAMES \* 'BRILLIANT' - JEFFERY DEAVER Meet Detective Inspector Geraldine Steel: fierce, dependable, and committed to her job. Relocated to a quiet rural town, she expects respite from the stresses of the city; a space where she can battle her demons in private. But when she finds herself pitted against a twisted killer preying on young women, she quickly discovers how wrong she is... By day, the local park is a haven for families, dogwalkers, or simply for a breath of fresh air. But in the shadows a predator prowls, hunting for a fresh victim. Locked in a race against time, Geraldine is determined to find the killer before they discover yet another corpse. But can she save the lives of the town's young women - or will Geraldine herself become the killer's ultimate trophy? Shortlisted for the CWA New Blood Dagger For fans of Angela Marsons, Peter James and Robert Bryndza, Cut Short is a gripping crime investigation that introduces DI Geraldine Steel, a woman whose past is threatening to collide with her future. . . 'A stylish, top-of-the-line crime tale, seamless blending of psychological sophistication and gritty police procedure. And you're just plain going to love DI Geraldine Steel' - Jeffery Deaver Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder and Death Rope Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe

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## DEEP COVER

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## THE GRIPPING TIMES & SUNDAY TIMES CRIME CLUB STAR PICK

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*Oldcastle Books Ltd* THE NEW NOVEL IN THE MILLION-COPY SELLING DETECTIVE GERALDINE STEEL SERIES When a sex worker dies in suspicious circumstances in York, Detective Inspector Geraldine Steel struggles to remain focused on the murder investigation: she is distracted by her worries about her colleague and life partner, Ian Peterson, who has disappeared. As Geraldine becomes close to her new DS, Matthew, she is unaware that Ian is working undercover in London, trying to identify a criminal gang who have been targeting her. As a second victim is discovered in York, and Ian's life is threatened by a psychopath the tension mounts. If he fails in his mission, both he and Geraldine may die... Perfect for fans of Martina Cole, Mel Sherratt and LJ Ross PRAISE FOR DEEP COVER 'Leigh Russell is my alternative Martina Cole, writing with the same realism, grit and edge. Deep Cover is three stories woven into one and it pulls you in like a rip tide. Always believable, always compelling, Leigh has done it again' - Helen Fields, bestselling author of the Perfect Remains crime series 'Exceptional crime writing' - M.W. Craven Sunday Times bestselling author & CWA Gold dagger-winner 'Leigh Russell tells a tangled tale in which guilt catches up with the innocent. It kept me guessing until the end' - Lesley Thomson, bestselling author of The Detective's Daughter series 'Deep Cover is edge of the seat stuff. A highly entertaining thriller I could not put down' - Marion Todd, author of the DI Clare Mackay series (Shortlisted for the Bloody Scotland Crime Debut of the Year 2020) If you enjoyed Deep Cover, look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder, Death Rope, Rogue Killer, Deathly Affair, Deadly Revenge and Evil Impulse, plus the special Christmas short story, Killer Christmas Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe

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## DEADLY REVENGE

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*Oldcastle Books* The new novel in the million-copy selling Detective Geraldine Steel series 'Brilliant and chilling, Leigh Russell delivers a cracker of a read!' —Martina Cole When a hysterical mother reports her baby's sudden disappearance, suspicion immediately falls on the absent husband. But Detective Geraldine Steel's gut instinct tells her this case is not as simple as her colleagues think . . . Complications in the mother's life begin to surface, including her relationship with her controlling father, a controversial political figure. As the police investigate, their attempt to find the missing infant grows ever more urgent. Steel is forced to suspect everyone associated with the family and when a body is discovered, matters take a deadly turn. "Unmissable." —Lee Child "Leigh Russell is a brilliant talent in the thriller field." —Jeffery Deaver Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder, Death Rope, Rogue Killer and Deathly Affair plus the special Christmas short story, Killer Christmas Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe

## FAKE ALIBI

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*Oldcastle Books* THE NEW NOVEL IN THE MILLION-COPY SELLING DETECTIVE GERALDINE STEEL SERIES A wheelchair-using woman is strangled and her son, Eddy, is arrested. When his alibi falls apart, the police are satisfied that he is guilty. Only Geraldine doubts whether Eddy is cunning enough to kill his mother and cover his tracks so successfully. The situation becomes more complicated when the girlfriend Eddy claims he was with at the time of the murder denies having met him. Shortly after the girl thinks she is being stalked, her dead body is discovered outside Eddy's house. As the body count grows, the investigation team become confused, putting Geraldine under almost unbearable pressure. Perfect for fans of Martina Cole, Mel Sherratt and LJ Ross 'Gripping' - Times & Sunday Times Crime Club (Star Pick) 'Unmissable' - Lee Child 'Leigh Russell is a brilliant talent in the thriller field' - Jeffery Deaver 'An impressive series' - Daily Mail If you enjoyed Fake Alibi, look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder, Death Rope, Rogue Killer, Deathly Affair, Deadly Revenge, Evil Impulse, Deep Cover and Guilt Edged, plus the special Christmas short story, Killer Christmas Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe - available now!

## ROAD CLOSED

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*Oldcastle Books* 'COMPELLING' - PETER JAMES \* 'UNMISSABLE' - LEE CHILD \* 'A RARE TALENT' - DAILY MAIL When a man dies in a gas explosion, the police suspect arson. But the case takes on a new and terrible twist when the prime suspect, a local felon, is viciously attacked. As police enquiries lead from the expensive Harchester Hill estate to the local brothel, their key witness dies in a hit-and-run. Coincidence? Or cold-blooded murder? With so many lives lost already, DI Geraldine Steel must put her problems aside, to protect others. After all, in the race for justice, sacrifices must be made. 'A well-written, soundly plotted, psychologically acute story' - Times For fans of Peter James, Helen Durrant and Angela Marsons Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder and Death Rope Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe

## GUILT EDGED

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*Oldcastle Books Ltd* THE NEW NOVEL IN THE MILLION-COPY SELLING DETECTIVE GERALDINE STEEL SERIES An inoffensive man is murdered in a seemingly motiveless attack. Detective Inspector Geraldine Steel and her team are baffled, until DNA from an apparent stranger is discovered on the victim's body. Geraldine is not convinced the suspect is guilty. When a witness comes forward to offer the suspect an alibi, Geraldine lets him go. That night, a second murder is committed. The evidence points to the suspect who has just been released. As Geraldine attempts to make sense of the suspect's complex history, he goes on the run. Even his wife appears to condemn him. Only Geraldine still doubts that he is to blame for the murders, but is she prompted by her own guilt for having released him to kill again? As the story races towards a breathtaking twist, Geraldine is tormented by self-doubt, and struggles to focus all her attention on the case. Someone is lying and the police must uncover the truth before anyone else is killed... Perfect for fans of Martina Cole, Mel Sherratt and LJ Ross 'Unmissable' - Lee Child 'Leigh Russell is a brilliant talent in the thriller field' - Jeffery Deaver 'An impressive series' - Daily Mail If you enjoyed Guilt Edged, look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder, Death Rope, Rogue Killer, Deathly Affair, Deadly Revenge, Evil Impulse and Deep Cover, plus the special Christmas short story, Killer Christmas Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe - available now!

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## THE ADULTERER'S WIFE

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### A BREATHTAKING PSYCHOLOGICAL THRILLER

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*Open Road Media* From the bestselling author of the DI Geraldine Steel series comes a suspenseful and gripping psychological thriller, perfect for fans of domestic noir. Julie is devastated to learn that her husband, Paul, is having an affair. It seems her life can't get any worse—until she comes home to find his dead body in their bed. When the police establish he was murdered, Julie is the obvious suspect. To protect her son from the terrible situation, Julie sends the teenage boy to his grandparents in Edinburgh while she fights to prove her innocence. With all the evidence pointing to her, the only way she can escape conviction is by discovering the true identity of her husband's killer. But who really did murder Paul? The truth is never straightforward . . . “Pure suspense . . . an extremely readable and addictive story.” —My Reading Corner “A fast-paced, compulsive domestic noir style thriller.” —The Book Magnet “The tension crept up in this slow burning, but suspenseful plot . . . Twists and turns were aplenty.” —Chapterinmylife

### EVIL IMPULSE

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*Oldcastle Books Ltd* The new novel in the million-copy selling Detective Geraldine Steel series Living with her colleague and long time love interest, Detective Inspector Ian Peterson, it seems that Geraldine Steel has finally found happiness. But life is never that simple. As a psychopath starts killing random women on the streets of York, Geraldine is abducted by a drugs syndicate who have been threatening her sister. Geraldine has everything to fight for, and her life is on the line... For fans of Martina Cole, Mel Sherratt and LJ Ross 'Unmissable' - Lee Child 'Leigh Russell is a brilliant talent in the thriller field' - Jeffery Deaver 'A rare talent' - Daily Mail Look out for more DI Geraldine Steel investigations in Cut Short, Road Closed, Dead End, Death Bed, Stop Dead, Fatal Act, Killer Plan, Murder Ring, Deadly Alibi, Class Murder, Death Rope, Rogue Killer and Deathly Affair, plus the special Christmas short story, Killer Christmas Don't miss the DI Ian Peterson series: Cold Sacrifice, Race to Death and Blood Axe

### HER LAST TOMORROW

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*Adam Croft* Could you murder your wife to save your daughter? On the surface, Nick Connor's life is seemingly perfect: a quiet life with his beautiful family and everything he could ever want. But soon his murky past will collide with his idyllic life and threaten the very people he loves the most in the world. When his five-year-old daughter, Ellie, is kidnapped, Nick's life is thrown into a tailspin. In exchange for his daughter's safe return, Nick will have to do the unthinkable: he must murder his wife. With his family's lives hanging in the balance, what will Nick do? Can he and his family survive when the evil that taunts them stems from the sins of his past? Her Last Tomorrow is a gripping, fast-paced thriller which will engross fans of Simon Kernick, Stephen Leather and Mark Edwards.

### DEATH IN THE CITY OF LIGHT

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### THE SERIAL KILLER OF NAZI-OCCUPIED PARIS

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*Crown* The gripping, true story of a brutal serial killer who unleashed his own reign of terror in Nazi-Occupied Paris. As decapitated heads and dismembered body parts surfaced in the Seine, Commissaire Georges-Victor Massu, head of the Brigade Criminelle, was tasked with tracking down the elusive murderer in a twilight world of Gestapo, gangsters, resistance fighters, pimps, prostitutes, spies, and other shadowy figures of the Parisian underworld. But while trying to solve the many mysteries of the case, Massu would unravel a plot of unspeakable deviousness. The main suspect, Dr. Marcel Petiot, was a handsome, charming physician with remarkable charisma. He was the “People's Doctor,” known for his many acts of kindness and generosity, not least in providing free medical care for the poor. Petiot, however, would soon be charged with twenty-seven murders, though authorities suspected the total was considerably higher, perhaps even as many as 150. Petiot's trial quickly became a circus. Attempting to try all twenty-seven cases at once, the prosecution stumbled in its marathon cross-examinations, and Petiot, enjoying the spotlight, responded with astonishing ease. Soon, despite a team of prosecuting attorneys, dozens of witnesses, and over one ton of evidence, Petiot's brilliance and wit threatened to win the day. Drawing extensively on many new sources, including the massive, classified French police file on Dr. Petiot, *Death in the City of Light* is a brilliant evocation of Nazi-Occupied Paris and a harrowing exploration of murder, betrayal, and evil of staggering proportions.

### THE DOLL PRINCESS

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*Random House* It's Manchester, July 1996, the month after the IRA bomb, and the Evening News is carrying reports of two murders. On the front page is a glamorous Egyptian woman,

a socialite and heiress to an oil fortune, whose partially clothed body has been found in a basement. In the back pages there is a fifty-word piece on the murder of a young prostitute found dumped on a roadside. For Henry Bane, fixer, loanshark and legman for one of Manchester's established ganglords, it's the second piece of news that hits hardest. Determined to find out what happened to his childhood sweetheart he searches his bombed city for answers, finding that these two stories belong on the same page, and that Bane's world belongs to others - those willing to profit from guns, human trafficking and a Manchester in decay.

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### **IN THE SPIDER'S HOUSE**

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*Felony & Mayhem Press* Mired in a dead-end job, and with a grand total of zero ideas for a second novel, Anna is delighted when her husband's employer requires that they relocate to a small village in Dorset. Maybe the move will jump-start...something. At first, it does, as Anna becomes absorbed in researching local history. Quaint little Abbots Newton, the town that time forgot, turns out to have been home to a notorious murderess from back in the 60s. In fact, the murderess lived in Anna's new house. In fact...well, there's no use borrowing trouble, is there? Not when trouble keeps turning up on Anna's doorstep, and her shiny new research project - purely for the novel, she swears! - is looking more and more like obsession.

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### **THE MURDER OF HARRIET MONCKTON**

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*Myriad Editions* From the award-winning and bestselling author of *Into the Darkest Corner* comes a delicious Victorian crime novel based on a true story that shocked and fascinated the nation. On 7th November 1843, Harriet Monckton, 23 years old and a woman of respectable parentage and religious habits, is found murdered in the privy behind the chapel she regularly attended in Bromley, Kent. The community is appalled by her death, apparently as a result of swallowing a fatal dose of prussic acid, and even more so when the surgeon reports that Harriet was around six months pregnant. Drawing on the coroner's reports and witness testimonies, Elizabeth Haynes builds a compelling picture of Harriet's final hours through the eyes of those closest to her and the last people to see her alive. Her fellow teacher and companion, her would-be fiancé, her seducer, her former lover—all are suspects; each has a reason to want her dead. Brimming with lust, mistrust and guilt, *The Murder of Harriet Monckton* is a masterclass of suspense from one of our greatest crime writers.

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### **ONE FINE DAY YOU'RE GONNA DIE**

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*Orca Book Publishers* Charlie D is back doing his late-night radio call-in show. It's Halloween—The Day of the Dead. Not a day filled with good memories for Charlie, but the show must go on. His studio guest this evening is Dr. Robin Harris, an arrogant and ambitious "expert in the arts of dying and grieving," who also seems to be auditioning for her own radio talk show. Charlie and Dr. Harris do not hit it off. Things go from bad to worse when the doctor's ex-lover, Gabe, goes on air to announce that he's about to end his life. Dr. Harris is entirely unsympathetic until she learns that Gabe also has her daughter Kali and plans to poison her too. It will take all of Charlie D's on-air skills to save both Gabe and Kali.

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### **THE RIME OF THE ANCIENT MARINER**

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### **RELENTLESS**

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*Random House* John Meron, a happily married father of two who's never been in trouble, receives a phone call that will change his life for ever: his friend Jack Calley, a high-flying City lawyer, is screaming down the phone for help. As Meron listens, Calley is murdered. His last words, spoken to his killer, are the first two lines of Meron's address.

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### **ROBERT B. PARKER'S BYE BYE BABY**

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*Penguin* Boston PI Spenser takes on a new case in this installment in Robert B. Parker's iconic New York Times bestselling series. Carolina Garcia-Ramirez is a rising star in national politics, taking on the establishment with her progressive agenda. Tough, outspoken, and driven, the young congresswoman has ignited a new conversation in Boston about race, poverty, health care, and the environment. Now facing her second campaign, she finds herself not only fighting a tight primary with an old guard challenger but also contending with numerous death threats coming from hundreds of suspects. When her chief of staff reaches out to Spenser for security and help finding the culprits of what he believes to be the most credible threats, Garcia-Ramirez is less than thrilled. Since her first grassroots run, she's used to the antipathy and intimidation women of color often face when seeking power. To her, it's all noise. But it turns out an FBI agent disagrees, warning Spenser that Garcia-Ramirez might be in real danger this time. It doesn't take long for Spenser to cross paths with an extremist group called The Minutemen, led by a wealthy Harvard grad named Bishop Graves. Although Graves is a social media sensation, pushing an agenda of white

supremacy and toxic masculinity, he denies he's behind the attacks. As the primary nears and threats become a deadly plot, it's up to Spenser, Hawk, and a surprise trusted ally to ensure the congresswoman is safe. This is Spenser doing what he does best, living by a personal code and moral compass that can't ever be broken.

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### DEATHLY AFFAIR

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*Oldcastle Books* **Four dead bodies. But who is guilty in this deadly web of secrecy and lies? When two homeless men are strangled to death, Detective Inspector Geraldine Steel is caught off guard by the cold-blooded nature of the crimes. However, her suspicions are raised as two more bodies are found, forcing her to question the motivation behind the murders. Plagued by countless red-herrings, the investigation drags Geraldine into the lives of three people caught in a toxic triangle of love and dishonesty. Is this a crime of passion, or is there more to this case than meets the eye?**

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### DOG EAT DOG

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*Open Road Media* **"The best novel about armed robbery ever written" from the Reservoir Dogs actor and ex-con author of No Beast So Fierce (James Ellroy). Troy was born in Beverly Hills but raised in the prisons of Southern California. Two days before his parole from reform school, a run-in with a young black tough threatens to derail his release. He prepares to fight, ready to sacrifice freedom to maintain his reputation, but a friend comes to his rescue. Armed with two razor blades, Mad Dog takes out Troy's assailant, allowing his friend to go free. Troy does not forget the debt. Years later, Mad Dog makes a living on penny-ante heists, and Troy—who has grown into one of the smartest hoods in L.A.—is about to finish a stint in San Quentin. They join up with another old friend, Diesel Carson, and launch a spree vicious enough to put them in jail for the rest of their lives. But these three would rather die than return to prison.**

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### SHOOT THE MOONLIGHT OUT

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#### A NOVEL

*Simon and Schuster* **A haunting crime story about the broken characters inhabiting yesterday's Brooklyn, this is the new novel from modern master of neo-noir William Boyle. An explosive crime drama, Shoot the Moonlight Out evokes a mystical Brooklyn where the sidewalks are cracked, where Virgin Mary statues tilt in fenced front yards, and where smudges of moonlight reflect in puddles even on the blackest nights. Southern Brooklyn, July 1996. Fire hydrants are open and spraying water on the sizzling blacktop. Punk kids have to make their own fun. Bobby Santovasco and his pal Zeke like to throw rocks at cars getting off the Belt Parkway. They think it's dumb and harmless until it's too late to think otherwise. Then there's Jack Cornacchia, a widower who lives with his high school age daughter Amelia and reads meters for Con Ed but also has a secret life as a vigilante, righting neighborhood wrongs through acts of violence. A simple mission to strong-arm a Bay Ridge con man, Max Berry, leads him to cross paths with a tragedy that hits close to home. Fast forward five years: June 2001. The summer before New York City and the world changed for good. Charlie French is a low-level gangster-wannabe trying to make a name for himself. When he stumbles onto a bowling alley locker stuffed with a bag full of cash, he brings it to his only pal, Max Berry, for safekeeping while he cleans up the mess surrounding it. Bobby Santovasco, with no real future mapped out—and the big sin of his past shining brightly in his rearview mirror—has taken a job working as an errand boy for Max Berry. On a recruiting run for Max's Ponzi scheme, Bobby meets Francesca Clarke, born in the neighborhood but an outsider nonetheless. They hit it off. Bobby gets the idea to knock off Max's safe so he and Francesca can escape Brooklyn forever. Little does he know what Charlie French has stashed there. Meanwhile, Bobby's former stepsister, Lily Murphy, is back home in the neighborhood after college, teaching a writing class in the basement of St. Mary's church. She's also being stalked by her college boyfriend. One of her students is Jack Cornacchia. When she opens up to him about her stalker, Jack decides to take matters into his own hands. A riveting portrait of lives crashing together at the turn of the century, Shoot the Moonlight Out is tragic and tender and funny and strange. A sense of loss is palpable—what has been lost and what will be lost—and Boyle's characters face down old ghosts with grim determination, as ripples of consequence radiate in dangerous directions.**

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### CONSPIRACY (THE PLOT TO KILL HITLER #1)

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*Scholastic Inc.* **Based on the real-life scheme to take down one of history's greatest monsters, this heart-pounding trilogy puts two courageous kids at the center of the plot to kill Adolf Hitler. Berlin, November 1943. With bombing raids commencing, the city is blanketed by explosions. Siblings Gerta and Max Hoffmann live a surprisingly carefree childhood amid the raids. Berlin is a city going about its business, even as it's attacked almost nightly. But one night, the air raid sirens wail, and the Hoffmanns' neighborhood is hit. A**

mortally wounded man comes to their door, begging to be let in. He asks for Karl Hoffmann, their father. Gerta and Max watch as Karl tries in vain to save the man's life. Before he dies, the stranger gives their father a bloodstained packet of documents, along with a message: "For the sake of humanity, the Führer must die. Finish it, Karl!" Based on real events, this is the story of two children swept up in a fight for the soul of Germany -- and the world.

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## THE MATCHMAKER

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### A SPY IN BERLIN

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*Simon and Schuster* A New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice In the vein of Graham Greene and John le Carré, *The Matchmaker* delivers a chilling Cold War spy story set in West Berlin, where an American woman targeted by the Stasi must confront the truth behind her German husband's mysterious disappearance. Berlin, 1989. Protests across East Germany threaten the Iron Curtain and Communism is the ill man of Europe. Anne Simpson, an American who works as a translator at the Joint Operations Refugee Committee, thinks she is in a normal marriage with a charming East German. But then her husband disappears and the CIA and Western German intelligence arrive at her door. Nothing about her marriage is as it seems. She had been targeted by the Matchmaker—a high level East German counterintelligence officer—who runs a network of Stasi agents. These agents are his "Romeos" who marry vulnerable women in West Berlin to provide them with cover as they report back to the Matchmaker. Anne has been married to a spy, and now he has disappeared, and is presumably dead. The CIA are desperate to find the Matchmaker because of his close ties to the KGB. They believe he can establish the truth about a high-ranking Soviet defector. They need Anne because she's the only person who has seen his face - from a photograph that her husband mistakenly left out in his office - and she is the CIA's best chance to identify him before the Matchmaker escapes to Moscow. Time is running out as the Berlin Wall falls and chaos engulfs East Germany. But what if Anne's husband is not dead? And what if Anne has her own motives for finding the Matchmaker to deliver a different type of justice?

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## THE HOT COUNTRY

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*Grove/Atlantic, Inc.* A US war correspondent is plunged into the Mexican civil war in "a whip-smart tale of intrigue and espionage" by the Pulitzer Prize winner (CNN.com). Undaunted by enemy territory and sweltering heat, Christopher "Kit" Marlowe Cobb, the fearless American newspaper journalist, has arrived in Mexico in the spring of 1914. The country is rocked by civil war, the American invasion of Vera Cruz, and the controversial presidency of Victoriano Huerta, El Chacal (The Jackal). Marlowe thinks he's found his first big headline in the attempted assassination of a priest—the bullet miraculously rebounding off the holy man's cross. Employing a young pickpocket to help him uncover the identity of the sniper, Cobb is soon led into a far more dangerous story: the advancement of German officials coming into the city from ammunition ships docked in the port. Then, when Cobb falls for a young Mexican laundress, he believes he's found a soft respite from hard news. If only she were as innocent as she seems. A sweeping saga of espionage, suspense, action, and love set at the dawn of World War I, Robert Olen Butler kick-starts his rousing series with *Hot Country*, "a thinking person's thriller, the kind of exotic adventure that, in better days, would have been filmed by Sam Peckinpah" (TheWashington Post, Best Books of 2012). "Pancho Villa, fiery señoritas, and Germans up to no good—Robert Olen Butler is having fun . . . and readers will too. An intelligent entertainment with colorful history." —Joseph Kanon, New York Times-bestselling author of *The Good German* "[A] high-spirited adventure." —The New York Times Book Review "Intrigue in the grand old style . . . Going off to war with Kit Cobb is as bracing and fun as it used to be in George MacDonald Fraser's *Flashman* books, or in Perez-Reverte's *Captain Alatriste* novels. And the best part is that there are more to come. Saddle up." —Dan Fesperman, Hammett Prize-winning author of *The Double Game*

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## THE AGE OF INNOCENCE

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*Tor Classics* Tor Classics are affordably-priced editions designed to attract the young reader. Original dynamic cover art enthusiastically represents the excitement of each story. All editions are complete and unabridged, and feature Introductions and Afterwords. This edition of *The Age of Innocence* includes a Foreword, Biographical Note, and Afterword by Merry McInerney. Newland Archer is about to achieve every young man's dream. his engagement to the wealthy young heiress May Welland, has just been announced. But Newland has a secret: he is secretly in love with May's cousin, the scandalous divorcee, Countess Ellen Olenska, who has brought to New York all the glitter and glamour of Europe's aristocratic playground. May is lovely, but innocent. Ellen Olenska is worldly and passionate. Newland has a choice: does he make the honorable choice? Or follow his heart? At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

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**THE MONASTERY MURDERS**

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*Stanton and Barling Mystery*

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**THE WHIRLWIND WAR**

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**THE UNITED STATES ARMY IN OPERATIONS DESERT SHIELD AND DESERT STORM**

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*Government Printing Office CMH Publication 70-30. Edited by Frank N. Schubert and TheresaL. Kraus. Discusses the United States Army's role in the Persian Gulf War from August 1990 to February 1991. Shows the various strands that came together to produce the army of the 1990s and how that army in turn performed under fire and in the glare of world attention. Retains a sense of immediacy in its approach. Contains maps which were carefully researched and compiled as original documents in their own right. Includes an index.*

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**A PANORAMA OF AMERICAN FILM NOIR (1941-1953)**

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*City Lights Books Beginning with the first film noir, The Maltese Falcon, and continuing through the postwar "glory days," which included such films as Gilda, The Big Sleep, Dark Passage, and The Lady from Shanghai, Borde and Chaumeton examine the dark sides of American society, film, and literature that made film noir possible, even necessary. A Panorama of American Film Noir includes a film noir chronology, a voluminous filmography, a comprehensive index, and a selection of black-and-white production stills.*

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**CASINO ROYALE**

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*James Bond 007 In order to rid the British Secret Service of "Le Chiffre," a lethal Soviet operative with a weakness for gambling, James Bond is to bankrupt him in a French casino, but the secret agent's cards are not cooperating.*

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**CHANCE MTI**

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**A NOVEL**

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*Simon and Schuster "In an intense tale of psychological suspense, a San Francisco psychiatrist becomes sexually involved with a female patient who suffers from multiple personality disorder, and whose pathological ex-husband is an Oakland homicide detective--from a Los Angeles Times Book Prize-winning author. Dr. Eldon Chance is a brilliant, lonely, forensic neuropsychologist with a long track record of getting involved with damaged, complicated women. While apartment hunting after separating from his wife, a series of bad decisions leads to Chance sleeping with a patient named Jaclyn Blackstone. Unfortunately her ex-husband is an Oakland homicide detective and the jealous type. Meanwhile, Dr. Chance meets a young man who goes by "D"; Chance believes he is a war-veteran, but he is in fact a deranged loner and self-styled Samurai skilled in the art of the blade. D is fascinated by Chance's tales of his tormented and increasingly dangerous affair with Jaclyn and advises him that her ex-husband will find a way to destroy Chance. As Detective Blackstone does indeed threaten the doctor, Chance and D plan a counter-strike. Meanwhile Chance continues his steamy affair with Jaclyn Blackstone (or is it one of her multiple personalities?) But the sexually voracious "Jackie Black" has a story that is far more complex and darker than he could have ever imagined ... Gritty, twisted, and impossible to put down, the surprises keep coming in Chance until the final page has been turned"--*