

# Large Print Books

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### ADULT FICTION

**LB 14147 ABANDONED IN DEATH** ROBB, J.D., 1950-  
When a woman is found dead on a bench in a New York City playground with a note that says "Bad Mommy," Eve Dallas knows she must pull in NYPSP'S top profiler. Eve soon realizes other women resembling the victim are missing, and she must work fast to save them. Unrated. Bestseller. 2022.

**LB 14176 MORAL COMPASS** STEEL, DANIELLE  
The traditionally boys-only prep school Saint Ambrose has just enrolled female students for the first time. After the school's Halloween event, one girl is in the hospital with alcohol poisoning, and only a handful of students know what really happened. Some violence. Bestseller. 2020.

**LB 14198 HOUSE OF WOLVES** PATTERSON, JAMES, 1947-  
The Wolfs, the most powerful family in California, have a new head-thirty-six-year-old former high school teacher Jenny Wolf. That means Jenny now runs the prestigious San Francisco Tribune. She also controls the legendary pro football team, the Wolves. And she hopes to solve her father's murder. Related names: Lupica, Mike, author.

**LB 14154 ACCIDENTAL HEROES** STEEL, DANIELLE  
At JFK Airport, when TSA agent Bernice Adams finds a postcard of the Golden Gate Bridge with an ominous message, she contacts Homeland Security agent Ben Waterman. Ben believes the writer of the postcard is on a flight bound for San Francisco, planning something terrible. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller. 2018.

**LB 14201 WISHING QUILT** THOMAS, JODI  
The Secret Wish, Jodi Thomas: The little town of While-a-Way, Texas, may as well be named Last Chance as far as Avery Cleveland is concerned. Running her late great-grandmother's quilt shop is the only way to build back her life after losing her dancing career. But local sheriff Daniel Solis is stunned by Avery's beauty and spirit--and hopes to show her how to stitch brand-new dreams together... Wish Upon a Wedding, Lori Wilde: Ellie Winter's sister is holding a quilting bee as her bachelorette party, creating a memory quilt for their grandmother. If only the event weren't happening at the ranch where Ellie spent childhood summers, now owned by the man she

can't forget. Four days surely isn't enough time to fall in love again...but what about four long, hot, summer nights? When You Wish Upon a Quilt, Patience Griffin: Paige Holiday's last visit to the International Quilt Festival in Houston ended in heartbreak. It seems like all the women in her family are unlucky in love. So at this year's festival, Paige is focused solely on business, until a gorgeous cowboy crosses her path, ready to turn her life--and her luck--around. Related names: Wilde, Lori, author. Griffin, Patience, author.

**LB 14202 CHRISTMAS DELIVERANCE PERRY, ANNE**

Scuff has come a long way from his time as a penniless orphan scraping together a living on the banks of the Thames. Now he's studying medicine at a free clinic run by Dr. Crowe. Lately Crowe has grown distracted after witnessing an altercation between a former patient of his named Ellie--a woman he not only treated but grew to love--and her controlling fiancé. It seems someone is forcing Ellie to marry the man, and as Crowe's emotions come flooding back, he sets out to uncover the troubling connection between Ellie, her father, and her betrothed. With only weeks before the holidays, Scuff is left to fend for himself, performing surgery after surgery on London's poor and vulnerable. When a needy young girl named Mattie comes to the clinic for treatment, Scuff offers her a place to live in exchange for assistance with his medical work. The police are growing suspicious of Crowe's amateur sleuthing. Will anyone manage to have a peaceful Christmas? Unrated.

**LB 14204 WYOMING HOMECOMING PALMER, DIANA**

When Sheriff Cody Banks's wife died, he blamed Abby Brennan and made sure she knew it. He knows his behavior was likely the reason Abby left town. When he sees her at her great-uncle's funeral, Cody is determined to show her he's no longer that same angry man. Abby has studiously avoided Cody, focusing instead on raising her young niece and keeping her own family legacy alive. But when Abby inherits the property adjoining Cody's, she can't help but face the sheriff who still lingers in her memory. Circumstances keep pulling them together, but has time healed their wounds and given them a chance at a happily-ever-after? Unrated.

**LB 14051 MORE THAN YOU'LL EVER KNOW GUTIERREZ, KATIE**

In 1985, Dolores "Lore" Rivera marries Andres Russo in Mexico City, even though she is already married to Fabian Rivera in Laredo, Texas, and they share twin sons. Through her career as an international banker, Lore splits her time between two countries and two families—until the truth is revealed and one husband is arrested for murdering the other. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14100      BEFORE THE COFFEE GETS COLD**

KAWAGUCHI, TOSHIKAZU, 1971-

In a small back alley of Tokyo, there is a cafe that has been serving coffee for more than one hundred years. Local legend says that this shop also offers the chance to travel back in time. Over the course of one summer, four customers hope to make that journey. Unrated. 2020.

**LB 14036      MERCURY PICTURES PRESENTS      MARRA, ANTHONY**

"When we first meet Maria Lagana, she's rewriting scripts at Mercury Pictures, a failing Hollywood studio known for its schlock. Maria's job is to re-craft dialogue and action to circumvent the censors, a skill she's mysteriously adept at. Born in Italy, as a teenager Maria witnessed Mussolini's censors arrest her father, an event that will destroy her family and burden Maria with questions of guilt and responsibility she will carry with her throughout this wondrous, far-reaching novel. Like many before her, Maria has come to Hollywood to outrun her past. Despite its cheap production values and factory-approach to making movies, Mercury Pictures is a nexus of refugees and emigres, each struggling to reinvent themselves in the land of celluloid. There's Artie, the studio boss, a man of many toupees who barely escaped the pogroms of Eastern Europe; there's Anna, a set designer, who ran afoul of Hitler; and there's Eddie Lu, a struggling actor and Maria's boyfriend, who despite being born in Los Angeles encounters the worst of America's xenophobia. After the attack on Pearl Harbor, everything changes for Maria and her world, forcing her come to terms with her father's fate--and her own"-- Provided by publisher. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14073      LOCAL GONE MISSING      BARTON, FIONA**

"Nolan McClain is the smart one, the driven one, the one who goes for what he wants, meticulously plans his steps, and thinks he has his life all mapped out . . . until he lays eyes on Bridgette Turner. Bridgette Turner is just as driven and focused as Nolan, but when her past comes back to haunt her, she finds herself knocked off balance and all her hard work in jeopardy. What Nolan feels for her is real, but Bridgette is skeptical. Will she let him show her his heart?" -- Provided by publisher. Unrated. 2018.

**LB 14066      NERUDA ON THE PARK      NATERA, CLEYVIS**

"An exhilarating debut novel about members of a Dominican family in New York City who take radically different paths when faced with encroaching gentrification, for readers of Such a Fun Age and Dominican. The Guerreros have lived in Nothar Park, a predominantly Dominican part of the

city, for over twenty years. When the crash of a wrecking ball signals the demolition of an old neighboring tenement, Eusebia, an elder of the community, quietly devises an increasingly dangerous series of schemes to stop construction of the luxury condos that will take their place. Meanwhile Eusebia's daughter, Luz, a rising associate at a top Manhattan law firm, strives to live the bougie lifestyle her parents worked hard to give her. While her father, Vladimir, secretly designs their retirement home in the Dominican Republic and Eusebia begins masterminding a neighborhood crime ring to save their homes, Luz is wholly distracted with a sweltering romance with the white, handsome developer of the company her mother so vehemently opposes. And when mother and daughter collide, at odds on what it means to save their community, tensions ramp up in Nothar Park, and build toward a near fatal climax. A fierce meditation on race, class, and community, with the propulsive force and poignant take on trenchant modern issues, Neruda on the Park weaves a rich and vivid tapestry of family, community, and Afro-Latinx culture, announcing Cleyvis Natera as an electrifying debut novelist"-- Provided by publisher. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14071      LAPVONA      MOSHFEGH, OTTESSA**

"In a village in a medieval fiefdom buffeted by natural disasters, a motherless shepherd boy finds himself the unlikely pivot of a power struggle that puts all manner of faith to a savage test, in a spellbinding novel that represents Ottessa Moshfegh's most exciting leap yet. Little Marek, the abused and delusional son of the village shepherd, never knew his mother; his father told him she died in childbirth. One of life's few consolations for Marek is his enduring bond with the blind village midwife, Ina, who suckled him when he was a baby, as she did so many of the village's children. Ina's gifts extend beyond childcare: she possesses a unique ability to communicate with the natural world. Her gift often brings her the transmission of sacred knowledge on levels far beyond those available to other villagers, however religious they might be. For some people, Ina's home in the woods outside of the village is a place to fear and to avoid, a godless place. Among their number is Father Barnabas, the town priest and lackey for the depraved lord and governor, Villiam, whose hilltop manor contains a secret embarrassment of riches. The people's desperate need to believe that there are powers that be who have their best interests at heart is put to a cruel test by Villiam and the priest, especially in this year of record drought and famine. But when fate brings Marek into violent proximity to the lord's family, new and occult forces upset the old order. By year's end, the veil between blindness and sight, life and death, the natural world and the spirit world, will prove to be very thin indeed." -- Provided by publisher. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. 2022.

**LB 14064 NO WORDS CABOT, MEG**

Jo Wright always swore she'd never step foot on Little Bridge Island, not as long as her nemesis, bestselling author Will Price, is living there. Then Jo's given an offer she can't refuse: an all-expense paid trip to speak and sign at the island's first ever book festival. Even though arrogant Will is the last person Jo wants to see, she could really use the festival's more-than-generous speaking fee. She's suffering from a crippling case of writer's block on the next installment of her bestselling children's series, and her father needs financial help as well. Then Jo hears that Will is off-island on the set of the film of his next book. Hallelujah! But when she arrives on Little Bridge, Jo is in for a shock: Will is not only at the book festival, but seems genuinely sorry for his past actions, and more than willing not only to make amends, but prove to Jo that he's a changed man. Things seem to be looking up, until disaster strikes, causing Jo to wonder: Do any of us ever really know anyone? Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14088 DISPLACEMENTS HOLSINGER, BRUCE W.**

"To all appearances, the Larsen-Hall family has everything: healthy children, a stable marriage, a lucrative career for Brantley, and the means for Daphne to pursue her art full-time. Their deluxe new Miami life has just clicked into place when Luna--the world's first category 6 hurricane--upends everything they have taken for granted. When the storm makes landfall, it triggers a descent of another sort. Their home destroyed, two of its members missing, and finances abruptly cut off, the family finds everything they assumed about their lives now up for grabs. Swept into a mass rush of evacuees from across the American South, they are transported hundreds of miles to a FEMA megashelter where their new community includes an insurance-agent-turned-drug dealer, a group of vulnerable children, and a dedicated relief worker trying to keep the peace. Will "normal" ever return? A suspenseful read plotted on a vast national tapestry, *The Displacements* thrillingly explores what happens when privilege is lost and resilience is tested in a swiftly changing world." -- Provided by publisher. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14089 ESCAPE: BILLY HARNEY SERIES, BOOK 3**

PATTERSON, JAMES, 1947-

"As Chicago PD's special-ops leader, Detective Billy Harney knows well that money is not the only valuable currency. The filthy rich man he's investigating is down to his last twenty million. He's also being held in jail. For now. Billy's unit is called in when an escape plan results in officers down and inmates vanished. In an empty lot, Billy spots two Kevlar vests. Two helmets. Two assault rifles. And a handwritten note: Hi, Billy. Are you

having fun yet?" -- Provided by publisher. Unrated. Bestseller. 2022.

Related names: Ellis, David, 1967- author.

**LB 14076      HOW TO FIND YOUR WAY HOME      REGAN, KATY**

"What if the person you thought you'd lost forever walked back into your life? A warm, life-affirming novel about what happens when a sister discovers that the brother she hasn't seen in more than a decade is homeless, and in reconnecting with him learns the true meaning of belonging, from the author of Little Big Love. When they were children, Emily and her brother Stephen were inseparable. Running wild through the marshes of Canvey Island, it was Stephen who taught her to look for the incandescent flash of a bird's wings, who instilled within her a love and respect for nature's wonders. But one June day, their lives came crashing down around them and fate forced them apart. Fifteen years later, Emily should be happy. She has a sun-filled garden flat, a lovely boyfriend, and a job that is supposed to let her make a difference. But instead she's lost, always on the lookout for her brother's face, and worn down, spending her days working at the local housing offices having to turn away more applicants than she then she can help. And then one day, her brother walks through the door, homeless and in need of help. Stephen has been living in and out of shelters for the last decade and the baggage between them is heavy. But Emily is overjoyed to see her brother again and invites him to come live with her. In an attempt to rebuild their relationship, they embark on a birding adventure together. Amid the soft calls of the marsh birds, they must confront the secrets of all that stands between them-even as they begin to realize that home may just be found within"-- Provided by publisher. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14102      CITY ON FIRE      WINSLOW, DON, 1953-**

"Two criminal empires together control all of New England. Until a beautiful modern-day Helen of Troy comes between the Irish and the Italians, launching a war that will see them kill each other, destroy an alliance, and set a city on fire. Danny Ryan yearns for a more "legit" life and a place in the sun. But as the bloody conflict stacks body on body and brother turns against brother, Danny has to rise above himself. To save the friends he loves like family and the family he has sworn to protect, he becomes a leader, a ruthless strategist, and a master of a treacherous game in which the winners live and the losers die. From the gritty streets of Providence to the glittering screens of Hollywood to the golden casinos of Las Vegas, Danny Ryan will forge a dynasty"--Publisher description. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14099      BODIES IN THE LIBRARY      WINGATE, MARTY**

Hayley Burke lands a job as the curator of Lady Georgiana Fowling's First Edition library at Middlebank House in Bath, England. But when one of her Agatha Christie fan-fiction writers group is found dead in the venerable stacks, Hayley has to catch the killer to save her job. 2019.

**LB 14069      ROBERT LUDLUM'S THE BOURNE SACRIFICE**

FREEMAN, BRIAN

"Jason Bourne has faced many killers before, but none as dangerous or as cruelly inventive as the assassin who calls himself Lennon. Bourne thought he had Lennon cornered in Iceland, only to have the killer escape in a fiery explosion. Now Lennon's trail leads Bourne to New York and then to Washington - and the body count rises with each deadly encounter. But who is Lennon working for? Bourne believes the assassin has a shadowy new employer called the Pyramid. The only clue to the group's agenda is a young German woman murdered in Washington on her way to a covert meeting. But the woman's entire identity turns out to be a lie, and news reports of her death have been strangely twisted and suppressed. Finding the truth about this woman may be Bourne's only chance to catch Lennon - and uncover the conspiracy behind the Pyramid. But the chase comes with high stakes. Bourne's former lover, journalist Abbey Laurent, is digging into the mystery too, and Jason's perilous battle against Lennon and the Pyramid will soon put Abbey in the assassin's crosshairs. Bourne will need to use every bit of his tradecraft and his genius for mayhem to expose this web of lies and murder before Lennon kills the woman he loves"-- Provided by publisher. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14091      DELE WEDS DESTINY: A NOVEL      OBARO, TOMI, 1990-**

"A novel in which three Nigerian women, friends since their university days, are reunited in Lagos for the first time in thirty years at the lavish wedding of one of their daughters"-- Provided by publisher. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14101      COUNTDOWN TO MIDNIGHT      BROWN, DALE, 1956-**

"Nick Flynn is back in action, and he has a new employer: a shadowy intelligence outfit whose roots go back to the very beginning of the Cold War. But his first mission for them almost becomes his last. While meeting with a high-ranking Iranian dissident in the Austrian Alps, Flynn is ambushed and nearly killed--just after learning that Iran and Russia are working together on a mysterious project--one they have codenamed MIDNIGHT. Flynn is determined to uncover MIDNIGHT's lethal secrets. Why are Moscow and Tehran covertly retrofitting a massive oil tanker in an Iranian port? What purpose lies behind their closely guarded effort, the

brainchild of Pavel Voronin--a ruthless billionaire allied with Russia's autocratic president?" --Provided by Publisher. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14053      SHATTERED      PATTERSON, JAMES, 1947-**

"NYPD master homicide investigator Michael Bennett and top FBI abduction specialist Emily Parker have a history. Working case after case, each can predict the other's next move. So when she fails to show at FBI headquarters in Washington, DC, Bennett risks venturing far outside his jurisdiction. The investigation he undertakes is the most brilliant detective work of his career... and the most intensely personal. A portrait begins to emerge of a woman as adept at keeping secrets as forging powerful connections. A woman whose enemies had both the means and the motives to silence the real Emily Parker--and her protectors." -- Provided by publisher. Unrated. Bestseller. 2022. Related names: Born, James O., author.

**LB 14075      KINGDOM OF BONES: A THRILLER**

ROLLINS, JAMES, 1961-

When men, women, and children from a small village where a UN relief team was sent are found in catatonic states, Commander Gray Pierce and Sigma Force are called in. They realize an insidious local phenomenon is spreading out, threatening Africa and the world. They must find the truth behind the phenomenon. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14094      ANY OTHER FAMILY      BROWN, ELEANOR, 1973-**

"The New York Times bestselling author of The Weird Sisters returns with a striking and intimate new novel about three very different adoptive mothers who face the impossible question: What makes a family? Though they look like any other family, they aren't one--not quite. They are three sets of parents who find themselves intertwined after adopting four biological siblings, having committed to keeping the children as connected as possible. At the heart of the family, the adoptive mothers grapple to define themselves and their new roles. Tabitha, who adopted the twins, crowns herself planner of the group, responsible for endless playdates and holidays, determined to create a perfect happy family. Quiet and steady Ginger, single mother to the eldest daughter, is wary of the way these complicated not-fully-family relationships test her long held boundaries. And Elizabeth, still reeling from rounds of failed IVF, is terrified that her unhappiness after adopting a newborn means she was not meant to be a mother at all. As they set out on their first family vacation, all three are pushed into uncomfortably close quarters. And when they receive a call from their children's birth mother announcing she is pregnant again, the delicate



bonds the women are struggling to form threaten to collapse as they each must consider how a family is found and formed."--Provided by publisher. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14098      BORDER CAPTAINS      MANNING, JASON**

"The Revolutionary War is over and the fledgling United States is struggling to survive. With the turn of a new century, settlers are poised to continue their westward move through the dark and bloody killing grounds of Kentucky. In their path stand the British military's might and an even more menacing foe-the brave and brilliant Shawnee war leader, Tecumseh. Now the War of 1812 is about to break out, and the future of the new republic rests in the hands of American heroes like "Mad" Anthony Wayne, William Henry Harrison, the trigger fingers of a buckskin-clad army of undaunted conscripts, and in the courage, daring and determination of frontiersman Nathaniel "Flintlock" Jones. History is to be made, a wilderness to be won, and a spellbinding saga of the early American frontier is to be brought to pulse-pounding, unforgettable life. THE BORDER CAPTAINS IS THE SECOND EPIC HISTORICAL NOVEL OF THE FLINTLOCK TRILOGY BY THE ACCLAIMED AUTHOR OF THE HIGH COUNTRY SERIES"--Provided by Publisher. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14018      TOMORROW, AND TOMORROW, AND TOMORROW: A NOVEL      ZEVIN, GABRIELLE**

"A modern love story about two childhood friends, Sam, raised by an actress mother in LA's Koreatown, and Sadie, from the wealthy Jewish enclave of Beverly Hills, who reunite as adults to create video games, finding an intimacy in digital worlds that eludes them in their real lives, from the New York Times best-selling author of The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry"-- Provided by publisher. Unrated. Bestseller. 2022.

**LB 14085      HORSE      BROOKS, GERALDINE**

"Kentucky, 1850. An enslaved groom named Jarret and a bay foal forge a bond of understanding that will carry the horse to record-setting victories across the South. When the nation erupts in civil war, an itinerant young artist who has made his name on paintings of the racehorse takes up arms for the Union. On a perilous night, he reunites with the stallion and his groom, very far from the glamor of any racetrack. New York City, 1954. Martha Jackson, a gallery owner celebrated for taking risks on edgy contemporary painters, becomes obsessed with a nineteenth-century equestrian oil painting of mysterious provenance. Washington, DC, 2019. Jess, a Smithsonian scientist from Australia, and Theo, a Nigerian-American art historian, find themselves unexpectedly connected through their shared

interest in the horse--one studying the stallion's bones for clues to his power and endurance, the other uncovering the lost history of the unsung Black horsemen who were critical to his racing success. Based on the remarkable true story of the record-breaking thoroughbred Lexington, Horse is a novel of art and science, love and obsession, and our unfinished reckoning with racism." -- Provided by publisher. Unrated. Bestseller. 2022.

**LB 14095      ANGEL OF ROME: AND OTHER STORIES**

WALTER, JESS, 1965-

"We all live like we're famous now, curating our social media presences, performing our identities, withholding those parts of ourselves we don't want others to see. In this riveting collection of stories from acclaimed author Jess Walter, a teenage girl tries to live up to the image of her beautiful, missing mother. An elderly couple confronts the fiction writer eavesdropping on their conversation. A son must repeatedly come out to his senile father while looking for a place to care for the old man. A famous actor in recovery has a one-night stand with the world's most surprising film critic. And in the romantic title story, a shy twenty-one-year-old studying Latin in Rome during 'the year of my reinvention' finds himself face-to-face with the Italian actress of his adolescent dreams"--Provided by publisher. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14059      NOVEMBER NINE      HOOVER, COLLEEN**

Fallon is about to move across the country from Los Angeles to New York when she meets Ben. The two spend her last day in LA together, and when they go their separate ways they decide to meet again every year on the same date. Some descriptions of sex. 2015. Adult Fiction

**LB 14022      UPGRADE      CROUCH, BLAKE**

"An ordinary man undergoes a startling transformation-and fears that all of humanity may be next-in the mindblowing new thriller from the New York Times bestselling author of Dark Matter and Recursion Logan Ramsay can feel his brain...changing. And his body too. He's becoming something other than himself. Maybe even something other than human. As he sets out to discover who did this to him, and why, his transformation threatens everything-his family, his job, even his freedom. Because the truth of what's happened to him is more disturbing than he could possibly imagine. His DNA has been rewritten with a genetic-engineering breakthrough beyond anything the world has seen-one that could change our very definitions of humanity. And the battle to control this unfathomable power has already begun. But what if humankind's only hope for survival lies in embracing this change-whatever the cost? Which side will Logan take? And

by the time it's over, will he-and the people he loves-even recognize him? Upgrade is a stunningly inventive, ferociously plotted science-fiction thriller that explores the limits of our humanity-and asks what's at risk when technology lets us reengineer not just the world around us, but ourselves"-- Provided by publisher. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14081 FORGIVING PARIS: A NOVEL** KINGSBURY, KAREN

In Indiana, Ashley Baxter Blake and her husband are about to take an anniversary trip to Paris, but she is hesitant. More than two decades ago, Ashley made her most grievous mistake in that same city and still harbors secrets that she's afraid will come to light. 2021.

**LB 14021 VACATIONLAND: A NOVEL** MOORE, MEG MITCHELL

"From the author of Two Truths and a Lie and The Islanders, a delicious summer read set in midcoast Maine, tackling family secrets, marriage, motherhood and privilege"-- Provided by publisher. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14072 LIONESS** BOHJALIAN, CHRIS, 1962-

1964. For her honeymoon, acclaimed actress Katie Barstow and her new husband David Hill take a number of their family and friends to Tanzania for a safari. They expect a luxurious vacation, but instead find a kidnapping gone wrong and their lives in danger. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14027 SUGAR AND SALT** WIGGS, SUSAN

Jerome Sugar learned the art of baking in his grandma's bakery, also called Sugar, on historic Perdita Street in San Francisco. He supplies baked goods to the Lost and Found Bookshop across the street. When the restaurant that shares his commercial kitchen loses its longtime tenant, a newcomer moves in: Margot Salton, a barbecue master from Texas. Margot isn't exactly on the run, but she needs a fresh start. She's taken care of herself her whole life, pulling herself up by her fingernails to recover from trauma, and her dream has been to open a restaurant somewhere far, far from Texas. The shared kitchen with Jerome's Sugar bakery is the perfect setup: a state-of-the-art kitchen and a vibrant neighborhood popular with tourists and locals. Margot instantly takes to Jerome's mother, the lively, opinionated Ida. The older woman proves to be a good mentor, and Margot is drawn to Jerome. Despite their different backgrounds their attraction is powerful--even though Jerome worries that Margot will simply move on from him once she's found some peace and stability. But just as she starts to relax into a happy new future, Margot's past in Texas comes back to haunt her. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14082 HERO'S HOPE** LE MESURIER, RACHEL

Esperanza wants to break off her engagement with Don and marry Artie instead. It soon becomes clear that Don will not give her up as easily as she had hoped. She must take desperate measures to save the one she loves and protect him from Don. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14090 DAUGHTER OF DOCTOR MOREAU**

MORENO-GARCIA, SILVIA

From the bestselling author of Mexican Gothic and Velvet Was the Night comes a dreamy reimagining of The Island of Doctor Moreau set against the backdrop of nineteenth-century Mexico. Carlota Moreau: A young woman growing up on a distant and luxuriant estate, safe from the conflict and strife of the Yucatan peninsula. The only daughter of a researcher who is either a genius or a madman. Montgomery Laughton: A melancholic overseer with a tragic past and a propensity for alcohol. An outcast who assists Dr. Moreau with his experiments, which are financed by the Lizaldes, owners of magnificent haciendas and plentiful coffers. The hybrids: The fruits of the doctor's labor, destined to blindly obey their creator and remain in the shadows. A motley group of part human, part animal monstrosities. All of them live in a perfectly balanced and static world, which is jolted by the abrupt arrival of Eduardo Lizalde, the charming and careless son of Dr. Moreau's patron, who will unwittingly begin a dangerous chain reaction. For Moreau keeps secrets, Carlota has questions, and, in the sweltering heat of the jungle, passions may ignite. The Daughter of Doctor Moreau is both a dazzling historical novel and a daring science fiction journey. Unrated. 2022. Related names: Wells, H. G. (Herbert George), 1866-1946. Island of Doctor Moreau.

**LB 14025 WHEN WE WERE BIRDS: A NOVEL**

BANWO, AYANNA LLOYD

"The introduction of a singularly stunning new voice in fiction, Ayanna Lloyd Banwo's When we were birds is a mythic love story set in contemporary Trinidad & Tobago about two young outsiders brought together by their connection with the dead"-- Provided by publisher. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14096 CATCH** FAIRBROTHER, ALISON

"Twentysomething Ellie thought she was her father's favorite child; she was sure he would leave her his most prized possession, a baseball with which they played catch, and which sat on his desk, as a kind of inspiration: her poet father's most famous poem was called "The Catch." But when her father's will is read, his children, including from other marriages, each receive a meaningful object, except Ellie, who receives a glow-in-the-dark

tie rack that she has never seen before. The baseball that inspired her father's work is left to someone with initials no one recognizes, L.M. In her grief, Ellie wonders: Who could have meant more to her father than Ellie? Might it be that mysterious woman she saw slip into the back of the church during her father's funeral? Her job at a D.C. journalism startup and her relationship with a married lover become threatened as Ellie tries to deal with her rage and grief and come to terms with the mysterious man she thought she knew. Determined to try to understand her father's life and to overcome her sense of abandonment, Ellie sets out to track down L.M. In her quest she discovers many startling things about who her father really was and comes to realize the deeper meaning of that baseball, that poem "The Catch," and the many ways life catches us unawares"-- Provided by publisher. Unrated. 2022.

## **ADULT NON-FICTION**

### **LB 14205 FRIENDS, LOVERS, AND THE BIG TERRIBLE THING: A MEMOIR** PERRY, MATTHEW, 1969-

"Hi, my name is Matthew, although you may know me by another name. My friends call me Matty. And I should be dead." So begins the riveting story of acclaimed actor Matthew Perry, taking us along on his journey from childhood ambition to fame to addiction and recovery in the aftermath of a life-threatening health scare. Before the frequent hospital visits and stints in rehab, there was five-year-old Matthew, who traveled from Montreal to Los Angeles, shuffling between his separated parents; fourteen-year-old Matthew, who was a nationally ranked tennis star in Canada; twenty-four-year-old Matthew, who nabbed a coveted role as a lead cast member on the talked-about pilot then called Friends Like Us...and so much more. In an extraordinary story that only he could tell--and in the heartfelt, hilarious, and warmly familiar way only he could tell it--Matthew Perry lays bare the fractured family that raised him (and also left him to his own devices), the desire for recognition that drove him to fame, and the void inside him that could not be filled even by his greatest dreams coming true. But he also details the peace he's found in sobriety and how he feels about the ubiquity of Friends, sharing stories about his castmates and other stars he met along the way. Frank, self-aware, and with his trademark humor, Perry vividly depicts his lifelong battle with addiction and what fueled it despite seemingly having it all. Friends, Lovers, and the Big Terrible Thing is an unforgettable memoir that is both intimate and eye-opening--as well as a hand extended to anyone struggling with sobriety. Unflinchingly honest, moving, and uproariously funny, this is the book fans have been waiting for. Unrated.

**LB 14055 RIVER OF THE GODS: GENIUS, COURAGE, AND BETRAYAL IN THE SEARCH FOR THE SOURCE OF THE NILE**

MILLARD, CANDICE

The author of River of Doubt (DB 60664) recounts the Royal Geographical Society's search for the headwaters of the Nile River. She examines the clashes between explorers Richard Burton and John Hanning Speke, and the contributions of their enslaved third party member. Some violence. Bestseller. 2022.

**LB 14049 MEAN BABY: A MEMOIR OF GROWING UP**

BLAIR, SELMA, 1972-

"The first story Selma Blair Beitner ever heard about herself is that she was a mean, mean baby. With her mouth pulled in a perpetual snarl and a head so furry it had to be rubbed to make way for her forehead, Selma spent years living up to her terrible reputation: biting her sisters, lying spontaneously, getting drunk from Passover wine at the age of seven, and behaving dramatically so that she would be the center of attention. Although Selma went on to become a celebrated Hollywood actress and model, she could never quite shake the periods of darkness that overtook her, the certainty that there was a great mystery at the heart of her life. She often felt like her arms might be on fire, a sensation not unlike electric shocks, and she secretly drank to escape. Over the course of this beautiful and, at times, devastating memoir, Selma lays bare her addiction to alcohol, her devotion to her brilliant and complicated mother, and the moments she flirted with death. There is brutal violence, passionate love, true friendship, the gift of motherhood, and, finally, the surprising salvation of a multiple sclerosis diagnosis." -- Provided by publisher. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14074 JAMES PATTERSON BY JAMES PATTERSON: THE STORIES OF MY LIFE** PATTERSON, JAMES, 1947-

"How did a kid whose dad lived in the poorhouse become the most successful storyteller in the world? On the morning he was born, he nearly died. Growing up, he didn't love to read. That changed. He worked at a mental hospital in Massachusetts, where he met the singer James Taylor and the poet Robert Lowell. While he toiled in advertising hell, James wrote the ad jingle line "I'm a Toys 'R' Us Kid." He once watched James Baldwin and Norman Mailer square off to trade punches at a party. He's only been in love twice. Both times are amazing. Dolly Parton once sang "Happy Birthday" to James over the phone. She calls him J. J., for Jimmy James. Three American presidents have invited him to golf with them. How did a boy from small-town New York become the world's most successful writer?"

How does he do it? He has always wanted to write the kind of novel that would be read and reread so many times that the binding breaks and the book literally falls apart. As he says, "I'm still working on that one." -- Provided by publisher. Unrated. Bestseller. 2022. Variant title: James Patterson: the stories of my life.

**LB 14092      DIANA, WILLIAM, AND HARRY: THE HEARTBREAKING STORY OF A PRINCESS AND MOTHER      PATTERSON, JAMES, 1947-**

At age thirteen, she became Lady Diana Spencer. At twenty, Princess of Wales. At twenty-one, she earned her most important title: Mother. As she fell in love, first with Prince Charles and then with her sons, William and Harry, the world fell in love with the young royal family, Diana most of all. With one son destined to be King of England, and one to find his own way, she taught them dual lessons about real life and royal tradition. "William and Harry will be properly prepared," Diana once promised. "I am making sure of this." Even after the shield of her love is tragically torn away, she remains their greatest protector, and the world's enduring inspiration. Unrated. Bestseller. 2022.

**LB 14086      EARTH IS ALL THAT LASTS: CRAZY HORSE, SITTING BULL, AND THE LAST STAND OF THE GREAT SIOUX NATION**

GARDNER, MARK LEE, 1960-

"A magisterial dual biography of Crazy Horse and Sitting Bull, the two most legendary and consequential American Indian leaders, who triumphed at the Battle of Little Bighorn and led Sioux resistance in the fierce final chapter of the "Indian Wars." Crazy Horse and Sitting Bull: Their names are iconic, their significance in American history undeniable. Together, these two Lakota chiefs, one a fabled warrior and the other a revered holy man, crushed George Armstrong Custer's vaunted Seventh Cavalry. Yet their legendary victory at the Little Big Horn has overshadowed the rest of their rich and complex lives. Now, based on years of research and drawing on a wealth of previously ignored primary sources, award-winning author Mark Lee Gardner delivers the definitive chronicle, thrillingly told, of these extraordinary Indigenous leaders. An essential new addition to the canon of Indigenous American history and literature of the West, *The Earth Is All That Lasts* is a grand saga, both triumphant and tragic, of two fascinating and heroic leaders struggling to maintain the freedom of their people against impossible odds" -- from Publisher. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14077      HOW TO RAISE AN ANTIRACIST      KENDI, IBRAM X.**

"The tragedies and reckonings around racism that are rocking the country have created a specific crisis for parents, educators, and other caregivers:

How do we talk to our children about racism? How do we teach children to be antiracist? How are kids at different ages experiencing race? How are racist structures impacting children? How can we inspire our children to avoid our mistakes, to be better, to make the world better? These are the questions Ibram X. Kendi found himself avoiding as he anticipated the birth of his first child. Like most parents or parents-to-be, he felt the reflex to not talk to his child about racism, which he feared would stain her innocence and steal away her joy. But research and experience changed his mind, and he realized that raising his child to be antiracist would actually protect his child and preserve her innocence and joy. He realized that teaching students about the reality of racism and the myth of race provides a protective education in our diverse and unequal world. He realized that building antiracist societies safeguards all children from the harms of racism. Following the accessible genre of his internationally bestselling *How to Be an Antiracist*, Kendi combines a century of scientific research with a vulnerable and compelling personal narrative of his own journey as a parent and as a child in school. The chapters follow the stages of child development from pregnancy to toddler to schoolkid to teenager. It is never too early or late to start raising young people to be antiracist." -- Provided by publisher. Unrated. Bestseller. 2022.

**LB 14060 PALACE PAPERS: INSIDE THE HOUSE OF WINDSOR--  
THE TRUTH AND THE TURMOIL BROWN, TINA**

"'Never again' became Queen Elizabeth II's mantra shortly after Princess Diana's tragic death. More specifically, there could never be 'another Diana'--a member of the family whose global popularity upstaged, outshone, and posed an existential threat to the British monarchy. Picking up where Tina Brown's masterful *The Diana Chronicles* left off, *The Palace Papers* reveals how the royal family reinvented itself after the traumatic years when Diana's blazing celebrity ripped through the House of Windsor like a comet. Brown takes readers on a tour de force journey through the scandals, love affairs, power plays, and betrayals that have buffeted the monarchy over the last twenty-five years. We see the Queen's stoic resolve after the passing of Princess Margaret, the Queen Mother, and Prince Philip, her partner for seven decades, and how she triumphs in her Jubilee years even as family troubles rage around her. Brown explores Prince Charles's determination to make Camilla Parker Bowles his wife, the tension between William and Harry on "different paths," the ascendance of Kate Middleton, the downfall of Prince Andrew, and Harry and Meghan's stunning decision to step back as senior royals. Despite the fragile monarchy's best efforts, "never again" seems fast approaching. Tina Brown has been observing and chronicling the British monarchy for three decades, and her sweeping



account is full of powerful revelations, newly reported details, and searing insight gleaned from remarkable access to royal insiders. Stylish, witty, and erudite, *The Palace Papers* will irrevocably change how the world perceives and understands the royal family." -- Provided by publisher. Unrated. 2022.

**LB 14083 HIS NAME IS GEORGE FLOYD: ONE MAN'S LIFE AND THE STRUGGLE FOR RACIAL JUSTICE** SAMUELS, ROBERT, 1984- Drawing upon hundreds of interviews, Washington Post reporters Robert Samuels and Toluse Olorunnipa offer a poignant and moving exploration of George Floyd's life. Unrated. 2022. Related names: Olorunnipa, Toluse, 1986- author.

## **JUVENILE FICTION**

**LB 14203 LOUISA JUNE AND THE NAZIS IN THE WAVES**  
ELLIOTT, LAURA, 1957-

Days after Japan's attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941, Hitler declared war on the U.S., unleashing U-boat submarines to attack American ships. Suddenly, the waves outside Louisa June's farm aren't for eel-fishing or marveling at wild swans or learning to skull her family's boat--they're dangerous, swarming with hidden enemies. Her oldest brothers' ships risk coming face-to-face with U-boats. Her sister leaves home to weld Liberty Boat hulls. And then her daddy, a tugboat captain, and her dearest brother, Butler, are caught in the crossfire. Her mama has always swum in a sea of melancholy, but now she really needs Louisa June to find moments of beauty or inspiration to buoy her. Like sunshine-yellow daffodils, good books, or news accounts of daring rescues of torpedoed passengers. Determined to help her Mama and aching to combat Nazis herself, Louisa June turns to her quirky friend Emmett and the indomitable Cousin Belle, who has her own war stories--and a herd of cats--to share. In the end, after a perilous sail, Louisa June learns the greatest lifeline is love. For grades 2-4 and older. Unrated.

**LB 14206 DOOR OF NO RETURN** ALEXANDER, KWAME

"Eleven-year-old Kofi Offin dreams of water. Its mysterious, immersive quality. The rich, earthy scent of the current. The clearness, its urgent whisper that beckons with promises and secrets. Kofi has heard the call on the banks of Upper Kwanta, in the village where he lives. He loves these things above all else: his family, the fireside tales of his father's father, a girl named Ama, and, of course, swimming. Some say he moves like a minnow, not just an ordinary boy so he's hoping to finally prove himself in front of Ama and his friends in a swimming contest against his older,

stronger cousin. But before this can take place, a festival comes to the villages of Upper and Lower Kwanta and Kofi's brother is chosen to represent Upper Kwanta in the wrestling contest. Encircled by cheering spectators and sounding drums, the two wrestlers from different villages kneel, ready to fight. You are only fine, until you are not. The match is over before it has barely begun, when the unthinkable—a sudden death—occurs. The river does not care how grown you are. As his world turns upside down, Kofi soon ends up in a fight for his life. What happens next will send him on a harrowing journey across land and sea, and away from everything he loves." -- Provided by publisher. Includes supplemental material. For grades 5-8.

## **YOUNG ADULT FICTION**

**LB 14078 ELEANOR AND PARK** ROWELL, RAINBOW 1986.  
After socially painful circumstances toss Eleanor and Park together, they form an unlikely--and extraordinary--romance. Although the two sixteen-year-olds know that the odds of remaining together forever are slim, they find the courage to try. Strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2013.

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