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Sooley-John Grisham 2021-04-27 New York Times bestselling author John Grisham takes you to a different kind of court in his first basketball novel. Samuel "Sooley" Sooleymon is a raw, young talent with big hoop dreams...and even bigger challenges off the court. In the summer of his seventeenth year, Samuel Sooleymon gets the chance of a lifetime: a trip to the United States with his South Sudanese teammates to play in a showcase basketball tournament. He has never been away from home, nor has he ever been on an airplane. The opportunity to be scouted by dozens of college coaches is a dream come true. Samuel is an amazing athlete, with speed, quickness, and an astonishing vertical leap. The rest of his game, though, needs work, and the American coaches are less than impressed. During the tournament, Samuel receives devastating news from home: A civil war is raging across South Sudan, and rebel troops have ransacked his village. His father is dead, his sister is missing, and his mother and two younger brothers are in a refugee camp. Samuel desperately wants to go home, but it's just not possible. Partly out of sympathy, the coach of North Carolina Central offers him a scholarship. Samuel moves to Durham, enrolls in classes, joins the team, and prepares to sit out his freshman season. There is plenty of more mature talent and he isn't immediately needed. But Samuel has something no other player has: a fierce determination to succeed so he can bring his family to America. He works tirelessly on his game, shooting baskets every morning at dawn by himself in the gym, and soon he's dominating everyone in practice. With the Central team losing and suffering injury after injury, Sooley, as he is nicknamed, is called off the bench. And the legend begins. But how far can Sooley take his team? And will success allow him to save his family? Gripping and moving, Sooley showcases John Grisham's unparalleled storytelling powers in a whole new light. This is Grisham at the top of his game.

The Maze-Nelson DeMille 2021-12-28 #1 New York Times bestselling author Nelson DeMille returns with his best thriller yet featuring former homicide detective John Corey who is called out of retirement to investigate a string of searing, grisly murders that take place a little too close to home. In his dazzling #1 bestseller, Plum Island, Nelson DeMille introduced you to NYPD Homicide Detective John Corey, who we first meet sitting on the back porch of his uncle's waterfront estate on Long Island, convalescing from wounds incurred in the line of duty. A visit from the local Chief of Police results in the legendary Detective Corey becoming involved in the investigation of the murders of a married couple who were scientists at the top-secret biological research facility on Plum Island. Fast forward through six bestselling John Corey novels and The Maze opens with Corey on the same porch, but now in forced retirement from his last job as a Federal Agent with the Diplomatic Surveillance Group. Corey is restless and looking for action, so when his former lover in Plum Island, Detective Beth Penrose, appears with a job offer, Corey has to once again make some decisions about his stalled career--and about reuniting with Beth Penrose. Inspired by, and based on the actual and still unsolved Gilgo Beach murders, The Maze takes you on a dangerous hunt for an apparent serial killer who has murdered nine--and maybe more--prostitutes and hidden their bodies in the thick undergrowth on a lonely stretch of beach. As Corey digs deeper into this case, which has made national news, he comes to suspect that the failure of the local police to solve this sensational case may not be a result of their inexperience and incompetence--it may be something else. Something more sinister. The Maze features John Corey's politically incorrect humor, matched by his brilliant and unorthodox investigative skills along with the surprising and shocking plot twists that are the trademark of the #1 New York Times bestselling author, Nelson DeMille.

Sooley - Limited Edition-John Grisham 2021-05-25 Books are leather-bound, signed and numbered, with printed endpapers, gold stamping, a slipcase, and a ribbon marker. New York Times bestselling author John Grisham takes you to a different kind of court in his first basketball novel. Samuel "Sooley" Sooleymon is a raw, young talent with big hoop dreams...and even bigger challenges off the court. In the summer of his seventeenth year, Samuel Sooleymon gets the chance of a lifetime: a trip to the United States with his South Sudanese teammates to play in a showcase basketball tournament. He has never been away from home, nor has he ever

been on an airplane. The opportunity to be scouted by dozens of college coaches is a dream come true. Samuel is an amazing athlete, with speed, quickness, and an astonishing vertical leap. The rest of his game, though, needs work, and the American coaches are less than impressed. During the tournament, Samuel receives devastating news from home: A civil war is raging across South Sudan, and rebel troops have ransacked his village. His father is dead, his sister is missing, and his mother and two younger brothers are in a refugee camp. Samuel desperately wants to go home, but it's just not possible. Partly out of sympathy, the coach of North Carolina Central offers him a scholarship. Samuel moves to Durham, enrolls in classes, joins the team, and prepares to sit out his freshman season. There is plenty of more mature talent and he isn't immediately needed. But Samuel has something no other player has: a fierce determination to succeed so he can bring his family to America. He works tirelessly on his game, shooting baskets every morning at dawn by himself in the gym, and soon he's dominating everyone in practice. With the Central team losing and suffering injury after injury, Sooley, as he is nicknamed, is called off the bench. And the legend begins. But how far can Sooley take his team? And will success allow him to save his family? Gripping and moving, Sooley showcases John Grisham's unparalleled storytelling powers in a whole new light. This is Grisham at the top of his game.

Calico Joe-John Grisham 2013-03-26 Follows the divergent paths of a rookie hitter for the Chicago Cubs and a hard-hitting Mets pitcher.

The Insanity of God-Nik Ripken 2013 Presents stories of persecuted Christians whose faith in Christ was not diminished by adverse circumstances, and the lessons that the author took from those stories and applied to his own beliefs about the sufficiency of God.

The Red Book-James Patterson 2021-03-29 The highly-anticipated sequel to Sunday Times bestseller The Black Book _____ Detective Billy Harney exposes an evil lurking deep within his city - but it also brings his own past demons to light... To Billy Harney, the newest member of Chicago PD's elite strike force, getting shot in the head, stalked by a state's attorney, and accused of murder by his fellow cops is all part of breaking a case. So, when a drive-by shooting on the Chicago's West Side turns political, he doesn't shy away from leading the investigation. As the easy answers prove to be the wrong ones, Harney's quest to expose the evil that's rotting the city from the inside out takes him to the one place he vowed never to return to: his own troubled past. _____ INCLUDES AN EXTRACT FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DAUGHTER, BY BILL CLINTON AND JAMES PATTERSON - AVAILABLE NOW TO PRE-ORDER _____ Readers think The Red Book is one of James Patterson's best ever thrillers: 'The book was full of twists and turns, exciting to read, and just highly enjoyable.' 'One of the best books by James Patterson that I have read, and I've read them all.' 'Devoured this one. It was great. I actually gasped out loud in a few places.' 'It kept me on the edge of my seat. I didn't actually want this one to end.' 'A great thriller with lots of twists and turns. I couldn't put it down!' 'This is a very well-written thriller, with a clever plot and multiple characters. Guarantee you won't want to put this down once you start reading.' 'The perfect police detective novel.' 'Another read by James Patterson which had me gripped and desperate to know what happens next! Brilliant.' 'The Red Book is everything you expect from a James Patterson book: fast-paced, gripping, twists and turns at every corner.' 'A definite page-turner which I guarantee you won't want to put down, another gem from Patterson.' 'I genuinely don't understand how one author with so many books under his "pen" can still manage to deliver such high quality and inventiveness!' 'A page-turner with a twisty plot and great characters.' 'I was hooked - can't give it anything but five stars. I'm just disappointed it's now finished.' 'The storyline was fabulous and I loved the characters. So many twists and turns.' 'Fans will love it, and if you're not yet a fan then you will be after reading.' 'Absolutely love a James Patterson book and this one certainly didn't disappoint. Highly addictive read I'd recommend to anyone.' 'Love all the twists and turns.' 'Brilliantly intense.' 'To say this book is intense is an understatement. It is one of the most enjoyable reads I have had in a long time.' 'What a read!' 'Unputdownable.' 'Fantastic read. I have been completely unable to put this

one down.'

Witness to a Trial-John Grisham 2016-09-27 A startling and original courtroom drama from New York Times #1 Bestseller John Grisham that is the prequel to his newest legal thriller, THE WHISTLER A judge's first murder trial. A defense attorney in over his head. A prosecutor out for blood and glory. The accused, who is possibly innocent. And the killer, who may have just committed the perfect crime.

The Book of the Dead-Douglas Preston 2006-05-30 An FBI agent, rotting away in a high-security prison for a murder he did not commit... His brilliant, psychotic brother, about to perpetrate a horrific crime... A young woman with an extraordinary past, on the edge of a violent breakdown... An ancient Egyptian tomb with an enigmatic curse, about to be unveiled at a celebrity-studded New York gala... Memento Mori

The Accomplice-John Grisham 2020-05-05 "When his best friend Woody is arrested--an unwitting accomplice to a robbery--Theodore Boone must work to prove his innocence"--

Ford County-John Grisham 2010 John Grisham returns with this seven short stories, all set in Ford County, Mississippi, which is the location of his first novel, 'A Time to Kill'.

When Truth Is All You Have-Jim McCloskey 2020-07-14 "A riveting and infuriating examination of criminal prosecutions, revealing how easy it is to convict the wrong person and how nearly impossible it is to undo the error." —Washington Post "No one has illuminated this problem more thoughtfully and persistently." —Bryan Stevenson, author of Just Mercy Jim McCloskey was at a midlife crossroads when he met the man who would change his life. A former management consultant, McCloskey had grown disenchanted with the business world; he enrolled at Princeton Theological Seminary at the age of 37. His first assignment, in 1980, was as a chaplain at Trenton State Prison. Among the inmates was Jorge de los Santos, a heroin addict who'd been convicted of murder years earlier. He swore to McCloskey that he was innocent—and, over time, McCloskey came to believe him. With no legal or investigative training to speak of, McCloskey threw himself into the case. Two years later, thanks to those efforts, Jorge de los Santos walked free, fully exonerated. McCloskey had found his calling. He established Centurion Ministries, the first group in America devoted to overturning wrongful convictions. Together with his staff and a team of forensic experts, lawyers, and volunteers—through tireless investigation and an unflinching dedication to justice—Centurion has freed 65 innocent prisoners who had been sentenced to life or death. When Truth Is All You Have is McCloskey's inspirational story, as well as those of the unjustly imprisoned for whom he has fought. Spanning the nation, it is a chronicle of faith and doubt; of triumphant success and shattering failure. It candidly exposes a life of searching and struggle, uplifted by McCloskey's certainty that he had found what he was put on earth to do. Filled with generosity, humor, and compassion, it is the soul-bearing account of a man who has redeemed innumerable lives—and incited a movement—with nothing more than his unshakeable belief in the truth.

The Brethren-John Grisham 2010-03-16 #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER They call themselves the Brethren: three disgraced former judges doing time in a Florida federal prison. One was sent up for tax evasion. Another, for skimming bingo profits. The third for a career-ending drunken joyride. Meeting daily in the prison law library, taking exercise walks in their boxer shorts, these judges-turned-felons can reminisce about old court cases, dispense a little jailhouse justice, and contemplate where their lives went wrong. Or they can use their time in prison to get very rich—very fast. And so they sit, sprawled in the prison library, furiously writing letters, fine-tuning a wickedly brilliant extortion scam—while events outside their prison walls begin to erupt. A bizarre presidential election is holding the nation in its grips, and a powerful government figure is pulling some very hidden strings. For the Brethren, the timing couldn't be better. Because they've just found the perfect victim. BONUS: This edition includes an excerpt from John Grisham's The Litigators.

Guardians of Magic-Chris Riddell 2019-09-19 Guardians of Magic is the first title in a brilliant new magical adventure series from the creator of Goth Girl, Chris Riddell. With gorgeous two-colour illustrations throughout and a special full-colour guide to the giants in the book, this fantastic hardback is a perfect gift. For as long as anyone can remember, children have made a wish on a cloud horse, never quite believing that their wishes

will come true. But times are changing. The future of magic is in danger. Enemies are working together to destroy it - especially the magic of nature and its most powerful source, The Forever Tree. Unless three brave children fight back and believe in the impossible, soon magic and the cloud horses will be gone. Zam, Phoebe and Bathsheba don't yet know how powerful they are... In Guardians of Magic the Costa award-winning, 2015-2017 UK Children's Laureate Chris Riddell weaves together a magical quest. This is the first title in The Cloud Horse Chronicles series.

The Testament-John Grisham 2010-03-16 #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER In a plush Virginia office, a rich, angry old man is furiously rewriting his will. With his death just hours away, Troy Phelan wants to send a message to his children, his ex-wives, and his minions—a message that will touch off a vicious legal battle and transform dozens of lives. Because Troy Phelan's new will names a sole surprise heir to his eleven-billion-dollar fortune: a mysterious woman named Rachel Lane, a missionary living deep in the jungles of Brazil. Enter the lawyers. Nate O'Riley is fresh out of rehab, a disgraced corporate attorney handpicked for his last job: to find Rachel Lane at any cost. As Phelan's family circles like vultures in D.C., Nate goes crashing through the Brazilian jungle, entering a world where money means nothing, where death is just one misstep away, and where a woman—pursued by enemies and friends alike—holds a stunning surprise of her own. BONUS: This edition includes an excerpt from John Grisham's Sycamore Row.

What Comes After-JoAnne Tompkins 2021-04-13 One of O, The Oprah Magazine's MOST ANTICIPATED BOOKS OF 2021 "JoAnne Tompkins writes about the people in this small town with wisdom and grace." —Ann Napolitano, New York Times- bestselling author of Dear Edward "An American Tana French, Tompkins is a writer to watch." —O, The Oprah Magazine After the shocking death of two teenage boys tears apart a community in the Pacific Northwest, a mysterious pregnant girl emerges out of the woods and into the lives of those same boys' families—a moving and hopeful novel about forgiveness and human connection. In misty, coastal Washington State, Isaac lives alone with his dog, grieving the recent death of his teenage son, Daniel. Next door, Lorrie, a working single mother, struggles with a heinous act committed by her own teenage son. Separated by only a silvery stretch of trees, the two parents are emotionally stranded, isolated by their great losses—until an unfamiliar sixteen-year-old girl shows up, bridges the gap, and changes everything. Evangeline's arrival at first feels like a blessing, but she is also clearly hiding something. When Isaac, who has retreated into his Quaker faith, isn't equipped to handle her alone, Lorrie forges her own relationship with the girl. Soon all three characters are forced to examine what really happened in their overlapping pasts, and what it all possibly means for a shared future. With a propulsive mystery at its core, What Comes After offers an unforgettable story of loss and anger, but also of kindness and hope, courage and forgiveness. It is a deeply moving account of strangers and friends not only helping each other forward after tragedy, but inspiring a new kind of family.

The Widows of Paradise Bay-Jill Sooley 2010 After her divorce, Prissy Montgomery heads back to her childhood home in Newfoundland. In an effort to spare Prissy humiliation as a divorcee, her mother takes out an obituary to announce the demise of Prissy's husband. Later when the "dead" husband arrives, the town of Paradise Bay is left reeling, with more questions than answers.

Under the Wave at Waimea-Paul Theroux 2021 From legendary writer Paul Theroux comes an atmospheric novel following a big-wave surfer as he confronts aging, privilege, mortality, and whose lives we choose to remember.

Return to the Secret Garden-Holly Webb 2016-11-01 "Return to the Secret Garden and enjoy the wonder of childhood and the magic of friendship in this sequel that is sure to warm the hearts of young readers everywhere"—Shelf Awareness As she turned it the door creaked a little and opened inwards... The only friend Emmie Hatton has ever had at the Craven Home for Orphaned Children is Lucy, the little black kitten that visits her on the fire escape every day. But when the children of Craven Home are evacuated out of London because of the war, heartbroken Emmie is forced to leave sweet Lucy behind. The children are sent to Misselthwaite Manor, a countryside mansion full of countless dusty rooms and a kind, if busy, staff. Emmie even finds a gruff gardener and an inquisitive little robin that just might become new friends. And soon, in the cold, candle-lit nights at Misselthwaite, Emmie starts discovering the secrets of the house—a boy crying at night, a diary written by a girl named Mary, and a very secret, special garden... Return to the world of The Secret Garden with this

enchanting new tale that will delight fans of the original story and new readers alike!

The President's Daughter-James Patterson 2021-06-07 A new thriller coming from #1 bestselling author James Patterson in Summer 2021.

The Rainmaker-John Grisham 2010-03-16 It's summer in Memphis. The sweat is sticking to Rudy Baylor's shirt and creditors are nipping at his heels. Once he had aspirations of breezing through law school and punching his ticket to the good life. Now he doesn't have a job or a prayer...except for one: an insurance dispute that leaves a family devastated and opens the door for a lawsuit, if Rudy can find a way to file it. By the time Rudy gets to court, a heavyweight corporate defense team is there to meet him. And suddenly he's in over his head, plunged into a nightmare of lies and legal maneuverings. A case that started small is exploding into a thunderous million-dollar war of nerves, skill and outright violence--a fight that could cost one young lawyer his life, or turn him into the biggest rainmaker in the land.... BONUS: This edition includes an excerpt from John Grisham's *The Litigators*.

The Music of Bees-Eileen Garvin 2021 "Following three lonely strangers in a rural Oregon town, each working through grief and life's curveballs, who are brought together by happenstance on a local honeybee farm where they find surprising friendship, healing--and maybe even a second chance--just when they least expect it"--

The Associate-John Grisham 2010-03-16 Kyle McAvoy possesses an outstanding legal mind. Good-looking and affable, he has a glittering future. He also has a dark secret that could destroy his dreams, his career, even his life. One night that secret catches up with him. The men who accost Kyle have a compromising video they'll use to ruin him--unless he does exactly what they say. What they offer Kyle is something any ambitious young lawyer would kill for: a job in Manhattan as an associate at the world's largest law firm. If Kyle accepts, he'll be on the fast track to partnership and a fortune. But there's a catch. Kyle won't be working for the firm but against it in a dispute between two powerful defense contractors worth billions. Now Kyle is caught between the criminal forces manipulating him, the FBI, and his own law firm--in a malignant conspiracy not even Kyle with all his intellect, cunning, and bravery may be able to escape alive. BONUS: This edition includes an excerpt from John Grisham's *The Litigators*.

The Broker-John Grisham 2010-03-16 #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER In his final hours in office, the outgoing President grants a controversial last-minute pardon to Joel Backman, a notorious Washington power broker who has spent the last six years hidden away in a federal prison. What no one knows is that the President issues the pardon only after receiving enormous pressure from the CIA. It seems that Backman, in his heyday, may have obtained secrets that compromise the world's most sophisticated satellite surveillance system. Backman is quietly smuggled out of the country in a military cargo plane, given a new name, a new identity, and a new home in Italy. Eventually, after he has settled into his new life, the CIA will leak his whereabouts to the Israelis, the Russians, the Chinese, and the Saudis. Then the CIA will do what it does best: sit back and watch. The question is not whether Backman will survive--there is no chance of that. The question the CIA needs answered is, Who will kill him? BONUS: This edition includes an excerpt from John Grisham's *The Litigators*.

The King of Torts-John Grisham 2012 Washed-up public defender Clay Carter's latest case, a routine street killing, takes an unexpected turn when he discovers evidence of a conspiracy involving a large drug company and a lawsuit with a huge potential settlement. Reprint. 35,000 first printing.

Theodore Boone-John Grisham 2017 Lawyer-in-training Theodore Boone returns to dispense more legal advice to friends and strangers.

Fake ID-Lamar Giles 2014-01-21 Lamar Giles takes readers on a wild and dark ride in this contemporary Witness Protection thriller, perfect for fans of James Patterson, Harlan Coben, and John Grisham. Nick Pearson is hiding in plain sight. In fact, his name isn't really Nick Pearson. He shouldn't tell you his real name, his real hometown, or why his family just moved to Stepton, Virginia. And he definitely shouldn't tell you about his friend Eli Cruz and the major conspiracy Eli was uncovering when he died. About how Nick had to choose between solving Eli's murder with his hot sister, Reya, and "staying low-key" like the Program said to do. But he's

going to tell you--unless he gets caught first. . . .

The Tumor-John Grisham 2015-03 John Grisham says *THE TUMOR* is the most important book he has ever written. In this short book, he provides readers with a fictional account of how a real, new medical technology could revolutionize the future of medicine by curing with sound. *THE TUMOR* follows the present day experience of the fictional patient Paul, an otherwise healthy 35-year-old father who is diagnosed with a malignant brain tumor. Grisham takes readers through a detailed account of Paul's treatment and his family's experience that doesn't end as we would hope. Grisham then explores an alternate future, where Paul is diagnosed with the same brain tumor at the same age, but in the year 2025, when a treatment called focused ultrasound is able to extend his life expectancy. Focused ultrasound has the potential to treat not just brain tumors, but many other disorders, including Parkinson's, Alzheimer's, hypertension, and prostate, breast and pancreatic cancer. For more information or to order a free hardcopy of the book, please visit The Focused Ultrasound Foundation's website www.fusfoundation.org. Here you will find a video of Grisham on the TEDx stage with the Foundation's chairman and a Parkinson's patient who brings the audience to its feet sharing her incredible story of a focused ultrasound "miracle." Readers will get a taste of the narrative they expect from Grisham, but this short book will also educate and inspire people to be hopeful about the future of medical innovation.

The Reckoning-John Grisham 2019-06-18 #1 bestselling author John Grisham's *The Reckoning* is his most powerful, surprising, and suspenseful thriller yet. "A murder mystery, a courtroom drama, a family saga . . . The *Reckoning* is Grisham's argument that he's not just a boilerplate thriller writer. Most jurors will think the counselor has made his case."--USA Today October 1946, Clanton, Mississippi Pete Banning was Clanton, Mississippi's favorite son--a decorated World War II hero, the patriarch of a prominent family, a farmer, father, neighbor, and a faithful member of the Methodist church. Then one cool October morning he rose early, drove into town, and committed a shocking crime. Pete's only statement about it--to the sheriff, to his lawyers, to the judge, to the jury, and to his family--was: "I have nothing to say." He was not afraid of death and was willing to take his motive to the grave. In a major novel unlike anything he has written before, John Grisham takes us on an incredible journey, from the Jim Crow South to the jungles of the Philippines during World War II; from an insane asylum filled with secrets to the Clanton courtroom where Pete's defense attorney tries desperately to save him. Reminiscent of the finest tradition of Southern Gothic storytelling, *The Reckoning* would not be complete without Grisham's signature layers of legal suspense, and he delivers on every page. Praise for *The Reckoning* "The quest for justice is only the beginning in this Southern family saga. . . . [Grisham] does so much more this time around."--Akron Beacon Journal "John Grisham is not only the master of suspense but also an acute observer of the human condition. And these remarkable skills converge in *The Reckoning*--an original, gripping, penetrating novel that may be his greatest work yet."--David Grann, New York Times bestselling author of *Killers of the Flower Moon* "John Grisham is the master of legal fiction, and his latest starts with a literal bang -- and then travels backward through the horrors of war to explore what makes a hero, what makes a villain, and how thin the line between the two might be."--Jodi Picoult, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *A Spark of Light* and *Small Great Things*

Mosquito Supper Club-Melissa M. Martin 2020-04-21 Named a Best New Cookbook of Spring 2020 by Bon Appétit, Food & Wine, NPR's The Splendid Table, Eater, Epicurious, and more "Sometimes you find a restaurant cookbook that pulls you out of your cooking rut without frustrating you with miles long ingredient lists and tricky techniques. *Mosquito Supper Club* is one such book. . . . In a quarantine pinch, boxed broth, frozen shrimp, rice, beans, and spices will go far when cooking from this book." --Epicurious, The 10 Restaurant Cookbooks to Buy Now "Martin shares the history, traditions, and customs surrounding Cajun cuisine and offers a tantalizing slew of classic dishes." --Publishers Weekly, starred review For anyone who loves Cajun food or is interested in American cooking or wants to discover a distinct and engaging new female voice--or just wants to make the very best duck gumbo, shrimp jambalaya, she-crab soup, crawfish étouffée, smothered chicken, fried okra, oyster bisque, and sweet potato pie--comes *Mosquito Supper Club*. Named after her restaurant in New Orleans, chef Melissa M. Martin's debut cookbook shares her inspired and reverent interpretations of the traditional Cajun recipes she grew up eating on the Louisiana bayou, with a generous helping of stories about her community and its cooking. Every hour, Louisiana loses a football field's worth of land to the Gulf of Mexico. Too soon, Martin's hometown of Chauvin will be gone, along with the way of life it sustained. Before it disappears, Martin wants to document and share the recipes, ingredients, and customs of the Cajun people. Illustrated throughout with dazzling color photographs of food and

place, the book is divided into chapters by ingredient—from shrimp and oysters to poultry, rice, and sugarcane. Each begins with an essay explaining the ingredient and its context, including traditions like putting up blackberries each February, shrimping every August, and the many ways to make an authentic Cajun gumbo. Martin is a gifted cook who brings a female perspective to a world we've only heard about from men. The stories she tells come straight from her own life, and yet in this age of climate change and erasure of local cultures, they feel universal, moving, and urgent.

The Girl Who Ate Kalamazoo-Darrin Doyle 2010-01-05 In this charming novel, Darrin Doyle paints a captivating portrait of the all-American family—if the all-American family's youngest child ate an entire city in Michigan with a smile, that is. Doyle has a flare for writing about family dysfunction with a twist. With a unique blend of realism and fantasy, *The Girl Who Ate Kalamazoo* is the moving story of the hauntingly beautiful Audrey Mapes, who began her illustrious "career" by downing crayons by the carton only to graduate to eating an entire city one bite at a time. With vivid, acerbic wit, Doyle details the life of the world's most gifted "eatist" through the eyes of Audrey's sister, McKenna. Through her eyes, we see the real tragedy of the Mapes story is not the destruction of a city, but rather, the quiet disintegration of a family who just didn't quite know how to love.

The Life and Afterlife of Harry Houdini-Joe Posnanski 2020-10-13 Joe Posnanski enters the colorful world of Harry Houdini and his legions of devoted fans to explore the illusionist's impact on global culture—and why his legacy endures to this day. Nearly a century after Harry Houdini died on Halloween in 1926, he feels as modern and alive as ever. The name Houdini still leaps to mind whenever we witness a daring escape. The baby who frees herself from her crib? Houdini. The dog who vanishes and reappears in the neighbor's garden? Houdini. Every generation produces new disciples of the magician, from household names in magic like David Copperfield and David Blaine to countless other followers whose lives have been transformed by the power of Houdini. In rural Pennsylvania, a thirteen-year-old girl finds the courage to leave a violent home after learning that Houdini ran away to join the circus; she eventually becomes the first female magician to saw a man in half on television. In Australia, an eight-year-old boy with a learning impediment feels worthless until he sees an old poster of Houdini advertising "Nothing on earth can hold Houdini prisoner," and begins his path to becoming that nation's most popular magician. In California, an actor and Vietnam War veteran finds purpose in his life by uncovering the secrets of his hero. But the unique phenomenon of Houdini was always more than his death-defying stunts or his ability to escape handcuffs and straitjackets. It is also about the power of imagination and self-invention. His incredible transformation from Ehrich Weiss, humble Hungarian immigrant and rabbi's son, into the self-named Harry Houdini has won him a slice of immortality. No one has withstood the test of time quite like Houdini. Fueled by Posnanski's personal obsession with the magician—and magic itself—*The Life and Afterlife of Harry Houdini* is a poignant odyssey of discovery, blending biography, memoir, and first-person reporting to trace Houdini's metamorphosis into an iconic figure who has inspired millions.

The Monsters of Rookhaven-Pádraig Kenny 2021-09-21 "A stunning book...a brand new take on the monster story." —Eoin Colfer, international bestselling author of the *Artemis Fowl* series From award-winning author Pádraig Kenny comes an action-packed middle grade fantasy about a family of monsters, perfect for fans of Jonathan Auxier and Victoria Schwab. Mirabelle is part of a very unusual family. Between Uncle Bertram transforming into a ferocious grizzly bear and Aunt Eliza's body being made entirely of spiders, it's safe to say they are an extraordinary lot. To the human residents of Rookhaven Village, the family is a threat. So long ago, a treaty was reached between them—in return for sundries and supplies, the monsters won't eat the townspeople—and an invisible glamour was set around the perimeter of the Manor to keep strangers out. But the glamour serves a second purpose: to keep Mirabelle and her family hidden from those who would do them harm. When two orphans—siblings Jem and Tom—stumble upon a tear in the magical field and open a door that was meant to stay locked, Mirabelle and her family are put in grave danger. A very real monster has locked onto their scent, and he has a hunger for their kind. At turns chilling and thought-provoking, and stunningly illustrated by Edward Bettison, Pádraig Kenny's *The Monsters of Rookhaven* explores difference and empathy through the eyes of characters you won't soon forget.

The Litigators-John Grisham 2012 The best-selling author of *The Confession* and *The Appeal* presents a latest legal thriller in which high-

stakes courtroom tensions lead up to an explosive, unorthodox conclusion. A best-selling novel. Reprint.

Partners-John Grisham 2016-03-29 JOHN GRISHAM'S FIRST ORIGINAL E-SHORT In this standalone prequel to his #1 bestseller *ROGUE LAWYER*, John Grisham tells the story of how Sebastian Rudd finally found someone he could trust to be his driver, bodyguard, law clerk, and partner. Sebastian Rudd, rogue lawyer, defends people other lawyers won't go near. It's controversial and dangerous work, which is why Sebastian needs his bodyguard/assistant/sidekick: Partner. So if Sebastian is just about the most unpopular lawyer in town, why is Partner so loyal to him? How did they meet? And what's the real story of this man of few words who's as good with a gun as he is with the law? The surprising answers are all in *PARTNERS*, John Grisham's first exclusively digital short story.

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