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Evils imminent -- Prologue, aboard the Olympic (1912) - - Frozen music (Chicago, 1890-1891) -- An awful fight - - In the white city -- Cruelty revealed (1894-5) Property of H.H. Holmes -- Epilogue, the last crossing.


David Sedaris's best work to date, ME TALK PRETTY ONE DAY contains far more than just the funniest collection of autobiographical essays - it quite well registers as a manifesto about language itself. Wherever there's a straight line, you can be sure that Sedaris lurks beneath the text, making it jagged with laughter; and just where the fault lines fall, he sits mischievously perched at the epicenter of it all.


Bennie Salazar, who put aside his days as a punk rocker to be a record executive, reminisces about his younger years and how his adulthood came to be while he remains naive to the inner workings of Sasha, the mid-thirties woman who works with Bennie and harbors a penchant for stealing.


"The author of the classic bestsellers The Secret History and The Little Friend returns with a brilliant, highly anticipated new novel. A young boy in New York City, Theo Decker, miraculously survives an accident that takes the life of his mother. Alone and abandoned by his father, Theo is taken in by a friend's family and struggles to make sense of his new life. In the years that follow, he becomes entranced by one of the few things that reminds him of his mother: a small, mysteriously captivating painting that ultimately draws Theo into the art underworld. Composed with the skills of a master, The Goldfinch is a haunted odyssey through present-day America, and a drama of almost unbearable acuity and power. It is a story of loss and obsession, survival and self-invention, and the enormous power of art"--.


Cheryl Strayed recounts the impact of her mother's death on her life at age twenty-two and chronicles her
experiences after she made the impulsive decision to hike the Pacific Crest Trail from the Mojave Desert all the way into Washington State.

**DVD FLI**

*Flight*. Hollywood, Calif. : Paramount Pictures, c2013. Denzel Washington, Don Cheadle, Kelly Reilly, John Goodman, Bruce Greenwood, Brian Geraghty, Tamara Tunie, Melissa Leo. A seasoned airline pilot miraculously crash lands his plane after a mid-air catastrophe, saving nearly every soul on board. After the crash, Whip is hailed as a hero, but as more is learned, more questions than answers arise as to who or what was really at fault and what really happened on the plane.

**FIC ALLENDE**


**FIC ANSHAW**

Anshaw, Carol, 1946-. *Carry the one*. 1st Simon & Schuster hardcover ed. New York : Simon & Schuster, 2012. Shows how one life affects another as those involved in the killing of a girl on a dark country road must live their lives in response to this event for the next twenty-five years.

**FIC ATW**


**FIC BENEDICT**


**FIC BLOOM**


**FIC BOY**


**FIC BROCKMEIER**


**FIC BROM**

Brom, 1965-. *The child thief*. 1st ed. New York : Eos, c2009. Fourteen-year-old Nick is saved by a mysterious, wild boy named Peter, who whisks Nick away to a gray island where he becomes one of Peter’s “Devils,” a savage tribe of lost and stolen children who must fight or die in a dangerous war.

**FIC BROWN VICTORIA**

Grace moves from Trinidad to New York City in hopes of attaining a better education and a better life, and when she gets a job babysitting for the Bruckner family, she faces such challenges as low wages, demanding work, and playground politics within the West Indian babysitting community.

FIC BRUNT


"Her world upended by the death of a beloved artist uncle who was the only person that understood her, fourteen-year-old June is mailed a teapot by her uncle's grieving friend, with whom she forges a poignant relationship"--Provided by publisher.

FIC CAMPBELL BONNIE JO


Sixteen-year-old Margo Crane, family ties severed with the violent death of her father, takes to the Stark River in a rowboat left to her by her grandfather and sets out to find her runaway mother, using her knowledge of the natural world and ability to see into the hearts of men and women to survive.

FIC CAREY


In 2010 London, Swinburne museum curator, Catherine Gehrig, grieving the loss of her lover, is given a special project, to bring back to life an automaton whose original owner, nineteenth-century Englishman Henry Brandling, was also confronted with the mystery of life and death.

FIC CHABON


FIC CLINCH


The death of Vernon Proctor, the oldest of three illiterate brothers living on primitive farm in upstate New York, sets off a wave of suspicion and accusations in the community, and complicates the work of state trooper Del Graham, who must look at Creed and the feeble-minded Audie as suspects.

FIC CLINE


In the year 2044, Wade Watts, like the rest of humanity, chooses to escape reality and spends his waking hours in the limitless, utopian virtual world of the OASIS, but when Wade stumbles upon the first of the fiendish puzzles set up by OASIS creator James Halliday he finds he must compete with thousands of others--including those willing to commit murder--in order to claim a prize of massive fortune.

FIC COAKE


FIC COBB

Cobb, Sonya. *The Objects of Her Affection*. Naperville, IL: 

Sophie Porter is the last person in the world you’d expect to be stealing Renaissance masterpieces—and that’s exactly why she’s so good at it. Slipping objects out of her husband’s office at the Philadelphia Museum of Art satisfies something deep inside, during a time in her life when satisfactions are few and far between. Selling the treasures also happens to keep their house out of foreclosure—a house that means everything to Sophie. But the FBI is sniffing around, and Sophie is close to destroying the very life she’s working so hard to build. She knows she should give up her thieving ways. But she may no longer be in control. The Objects of Her Affection is a riveting story about the realities of motherhood, the perils of secrecy, and the art of appraising the real treasures in our lives.

FIC COOPER

Mickey Brandeis, a brilliant doctoral candidate in medieval literature, lives in her parents’ garage and swears too often, but she hasn’t killed a man since she was ten. Mickey’s carefully created adult existence is upended when she is led to a condemned house where she discovers a mutilated corpse. When she is later asked by a timid student to solve a murder that occurred twenty years earlier, Mickey begins to lose hold on her tenuous connection to reality.

FIC DOERR

"From the highly acclaimed, multiple award-winning Anthony Doerr, a stunningly ambitious and beautiful novel about a blind French girl and a German boy whose paths collide in occupied France as both try to survive the devastation of World War II. Marie Laure lives with her father in Paris within walking distance of the Museum of Natural History where he works as the master of the locks (there are thousands of locks in the museum). When she is six, she goes blind, and her father builds her a model of their neighborhood, every house, every manhole, so she can memorize it with her fingers and navigate the real streets with her feet and cane. When the Germans occupy Paris, father and daughter flee to Saint-Malo on the Brittany coast, where Marie-Laure's agoraphobic great uncle lives in a tall, narrow house by the sea wall. In another world in Germany, an orphan boy, Werner, grows up with his younger sister, Jutta, both enchanted by a crude radio Werner finds. He becomes a master at building and fixing radios, a talent that wins him a place at an elite and brutal military academy and, ultimately, makes him a highly specialized tracker of the Resistance. Werner travels through the heart of Hitler Youth to the far-flung outskirts of Russia, and finally into Saint-Malo, where his path converges with Marie-Laure. Doerr's gorgeous combination of soaring imagination with observation is electric. Deftly interweaving the lives of Marie-Laure..."
and Werner, Doerr illuminates the ways, against all odds, people try to be good to one another. Ten years in the writing, All the Light We Cannot See is his most ambitious and dazzling work”--.

FIC DRURY

FIC EDRICH
After Geraldine Coutts is attacked on the Ojibwe reservation in North Dakota, her husband Bazil, a tribal judge, tries to find justice for his wife, and their teenage son Joe tries to help his mother heal.

FIC EGGERS
Mae Holland is thrilled to be working for the most powerful internet company, but as her life beyond the company campus grows distant, a strange encounter with a colleague leaves her shaken and her role in the Circle becomes increasingly public.

FIC ENGER

FIC EDRICH

FIC EVANS JUSTIN

FIC FILER
Ten years after his brother's disappearance, Matthew Homes tries to understand what happened the night he and his brother snuck out of the house in the middle of the night.

FIC FLANERY
Real estate developer Paul Krovik is driven mad by his failed attempt at making a luxury suburb from Louise's family farm, but when Julia and Nathanial arrive from their small Boston apartment with their son Copely and are able to buy Paul's house in a foreclosure deal, Copely becomes convinced that someone is living in the house with his family.

FIC FOER

FIC FORD RICHARD
When his parents are arrested for robbing a bank, Dell Parson is sent to Canada under the care of Arthur Remlinger and tries to reconcile with his life, only to find himself at odds with Remlinger's violent ways.

FIC FRANKLIN TOM
Franklin, Tom. Crooked letter, crooked letter. 1st ed. New
Silas Jones ended his friendship with Larry Ott after Larry was suspected in the disappearance of a girl he was dating, and now, twenty-five years later, another woman has disappeared and Larry is once again implicated, leaving Silas, the local constable, questioning what he really knows about his old friend.

FIC FRAZIER
In a small North Carolina town in the early 1960s, Luce finds her solitary life in the Appalachian landscape changing in various ways with the arrival of her murdered sister's troubled twins.

FIC GAFFNEY ELIZABETH

FIC GAIMAN
When a middle-aged man returns to his childhood home in Sussex, England, for a funeral he remembers frightening childhood memories relating to the neighbor girl who promised to protect him from the darkness unleashed by a suicide at the pond at the end of their street.

FIC GILBERT
"A glorious, sweeping novel of desire, ambition, and the thirst for knowledge, from the # 1 New York Times bestselling author of Eat, Pray, Love and Committed. In The Signature of All Things, Elizabeth Gilbert returns to fiction, inserting her inimitable voice into an enthralling story of love, adventure and discovery. Spanning much of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, the novel follows the fortunes of the extraordinary Whittaker family as led by the enterprising Henry Whittaker-a poor-born Englishman who makes a great fortune in the South American quinine trade, eventually becoming the richest man in Philadelphia. Born in 1800, Henry's brilliant daughter, Alma (who inherits both her father's money and his mind), ultimately becomes a botanist of considerable gifts herself. As Alma's research takes her deeper into the mysteries of evolution, she falls in love with a man named Ambrose Pike who makes incomparable paintings of orchids and who draws her in the exact opposite direction-into the realm of the spiritual, the divine, and the magical. Alma is a clear-minded scientist; Ambrose a utopian artist-but what unites this unlikely couple is a desperate need to understand the workings of this world and the mechanisms behind all life. Exquisitely researched and told at a galloping pace, The Signature of All Things soars across the globe-from London to Peru to Philadelphia to Tahiti to Amsterdam, and beyond. Along the way, the story is peopled with unforgettable characters: missionaries, abolitionists, adventurers, astronomers, sea captains, geniuses, and the quite
mad. But most memorable of all, it is the story of Alma Whittaker, who-born in the Age of Enlightenment, but living well into the Industrial Revolution-bears witness to that extraordinary moment in human history when all the old assumptions about science, religion, commerce, and class were exploding into dangerous new ideas. Written in the bold, questing spirit of that singular time, Gilbert's wise, deep, and spellbinding tale is certain to capture the hearts and minds of readers. "--.

FIC GODWIN

FIC GRUEN

FIC HAIGH
Unaware of the long-standing grievances harbored by their divorced parents, three adult siblings embark on a tumultuous summer when the oldest, a successful Manhattan doctor, investigates his sister's chromosomal disorder against his mother's wishes.

FIC HARRIS JOANNE

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FIC HEDGES
Young marrieds Tim and Kate Welch, trying to raise their two sons on Tim's salary as a history teacher at the Montague Academy in Brooklyn Heights, face a crisis when Kate is offered a high paying job that brings her back in touch with an old flame, and Tim, taking his turn as a stay-to-home parent, is introduced to fascinating new neighbor Anna Brody.

FIC HILL JOE

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Victoria McQueen has a secret gift for finding missing things. Vic, now an adult, was the only kid to ever escape evil child kidnapper Charles Talent Manx, and Charles intends on getting his revenge by kidnapping Vic's son.

FIC HODGKINSON
Silvana, married to Janusz only a few months before they are separated by World War II, spends over six years hiding out in the forests of Poland with their son, Aurek, while Janusz, the sole survivor of his military unit, retreats to France where he begins an affair with a local girl, and their experiences make it difficult for them to become a family when the hostilities finally end.
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Flora Rose dreams that she is standing in a courtroom in heaven and receives word that she will die in twenty-five years, and twenty-four years later, when she believes that she has one year of life left, Flora begins to reflect on old age, death, love, and more.

At the end of the war, Britt Johnson, a freed slave, travels with his family from Kentucky to start a new life in Texas.

Son of an influential father, Pak Jun Do rises through the ranks in North Korea to a life of espionage, kidnapping, and torture, and eventually falls for the dictator's favorite actress.

Sisters Naomi and Sally Durance, having joined the war effort as nurses in 1915, carry a family secret and find their bond strengthened and courage tested as they face danger and hostility and meet men with whom they dream of futures, if they all survive.

Jane Howard, a successful Boston professor, falls in love and becomes pregnant, and learns to enjoy motherhood until a devastating turn of events changes her entire world and causes her to leave everything she knows;
but the disappearance of a young girl pulls her back into reality where she is forced to face a terrible truth.

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FIC KINGSLOVER

FIC KINGSOLVER
Kingsolver, Barbara. Flight behavior: a novel. New York: Harper, 2012. Set in the present day in the rural community of Feathertown, Tennessee, Flight Behavior tells the story of Dellarobia Turnbow, a petite, razor-sharp 29-year-old who nurtured worldly ambitions before becoming pregnant and marrying at seventeen. Now, after more than a decade of tending to small children on a failing farm, oppressed by poverty, isolation and her husband's antagonistic family, she has mitigated her boredom by surrendering to an obsessive flirtation with a handsome younger man. In the opening scene, Dellarobia is headed for a secluded mountain cabin to meet this man and initiate what she expects will be a self-destructive affair. But the tryst never happens. Instead, she walks into something on the mountainside she cannot explain or understand: a forested valley filled with silent red fire that appears to her a miracle. After years lived entirely in the confines of one small house, Dellarobia finds her path suddenly opening out, chapter by chapter, into blunt and confrontational engagement with her family, her church, her town, her continent, and finally the world at large.--Publisher.

FIC KOCH
Meeting at an Amsterdam restaurant for dinner, two couples move from small talk to the wrenching shared challenge of their teenage sons' act of violence that has triggered a police investigation and revealed the extent to which each family will go to protect those they love.

FIC KOONTZ

A soul-stirring story of Jonah Kirk, son of an exceptional singer, grandson of a formidable "piano man," a musical prodigy beginning to explore his own gifts when he crosses a group of extremely dangerous people, with shattering consequences. Set in a more innocent time not so long ago, The City encompasses a lifetime but unfolds over three extraordinary, heart-racing years of tribulation and triumph, in which Jonah first grasps the electrifying power of music and art, of enduring friendship, of everyday heroes. The unforgettable saga of a young man coming of age within a remarkable family, and a shimmering portrait of the world that shaped him.

FIC LAMB WALLY

After his wife Maureen, a nurse at Columbine High School survived the 1999 student shooting incident, Caelum Quirk moves her to his family's farm in Three Rivers, but while Maureen struggles to recover her sanity, Caelum unearths old diaries, letters, and newspapers--representing five generations of his family's history--hidden in the house.

FIC LAMB WALLY


FIC LANSDALE

Down-on-his-luck Gulf War veteran Cason Statler, at one time a Pulitzer Prize nominated journalist, returns to his hometown of Camp Rapture, Texas, where he secures a job as a columnist for a local daily newspaper, hoping to revive his career with a series of articles on a cold case murder involving a local college girl, but it is not long before he finds himself drawn into a dark conspiracy that might have links to his successful history professor brother.

FIC LAPlANTE

Dr. Jennifer White is the prime suspect in the murder of her life-long friend and neighbor, Amanda, but as she descends further into the later stages of dementia, it becomes unclear if her shattered memory is preventing her from remembering the truth or helping her hide it.

FIC LASSER


FIC LENNON

FIC LIPPMAN

FIC MARS
Artist Margaret Shaw moves from New York City to New Mexico and begins taking welding lessons from auto welder Rico Garcia. The two start a friendship and begin confronting the damage of their pasts.

FIC MCFARLAND

FIC McNALLY

FIC MITCHELL
Ukrainian immigrant Theo Mykolayenko, having been imprisoned in a Canadian jail for nearly two years for not paying a small debt, returns to his family with the hope and determination to rebuild their life, but is confronted with violence and tragedy when his scheming brother-in-law reappears in his sister's life.

FIC MORGENSTERN
A circus known as Le Cirque des Rêves features two illusionists, Celia and Marco, who are unknowingly competing in a game to which they have been irrevocably bound by their mercurial masters, and as the two fall deeply and passionately in love with each other, their masters intervene with dangerous consequences.

FIC MORIARTY
Discovering a tattered letter that says she is to open it only in the event of her husband's death, Cecelia, a successful family woman, is unable to resist reading the letter and discovers a secret that shatters her life and the lives of two other women.

FIC NIFFENEGGER

FIC NUSSBAUM
Follows the lives of teenagers that live in an institution for juveniles with disabilities.

FIC ODONNELL

FIC OTSUKA
A story told from five different points of view, chronicles the experiences of Japanese Americans caught up in the nightmare of the World War II internment camps.

FIC OZEKI
FIC PARKHURST

FIC PATCHETT
A researcher at a pharmaceutical company, Marina Singh journeys into the heart of the Amazonian delta to check on a field team that has been silent for two years--a dangerous assignment that forces Marina to confront the ghosts of her past.

FIC PERROTTA
After many of the residents of Mapleton disappeared during the rapture, Kevin Garvey, the new mayor, tries to renew hope and help families and friends heal from the loss of loved ones, but while Kevin strives to help the town, his own family suffers, and he is distracted by his relationship with a woman who lost her entire family.

FIC PICOULT
Becoming friends with Josef Weber, an old man who is particularly loved in her community, Sage Singer is shocked when one day he asks her to kill him and reveals why he deserves to die, causing her to question her beliefs.

FIC QUICK MATTHEW
Pat Peoples returns to his parent's home after a lengthy stay at a health facility following the betrayal of his wife, Nikki, and shows how he regains his memory and recovers from his depression and loss.

FIC QUINDLEN
Mary Beth Latham is first and foremost a mother, whose three teenaged children come first, before her career as a landscape gardener, or even her life as the wife of a doctor. Caring for her family and preserving their everyday life is paramount. And so, when one of her sons, Max, becomes depressed, Mary Beth becomes focused on him, and is blindsided by a shocking act of violence.

FIC RACCUILA
A young music prodigy goes missing from a hotel room that was the site of an infamous murder-suicide fifteen years earlier, renewing trauma for a bridesmaid who witnessed the first crime and rallying an eccentric cast of characters during a snowstorm that traps everyone on the grounds.

FIC RACHMAN
Hester Prynne and her daughter Pearl return to England after the death of Hester's demonic husband, only to find herself in the middle of political intrigue and espionage involving the Lord Protector of the Commonwealth, Oliver Cromwell. |
As their island home and alligator-wrestling theme park is threatened by a sophisticated competitor, twelve-year-old Ava struggles to cope with her mother's death while her sister, brother, and father all try to deal with their grief in their own unusual ways. |
Nate Goddard was content with his life as a care-free salesman, but when his father dies Nate is drawn back to the estate where he faces his five-year-old son, and a mysterious woman, Jamie McClintock, who has been living in the Connecticut farmhouse as his father's roommate. |
Thirty-nine-year-old Lenny Abramov, living in a society in which books are not valued, immortality is highly sought after, and America is in a credit crisis, falls in love with twenty-four-year-old Eunice Park and attempts to convince her that holding on to one's humanity in a cruel world is still important. |
Claire and Paul move to Hollywood where Paul's career as a comedy writer takes off, leaving him little time at home, and Claire, inept at caring for their new baby alone, hires Lola as a nanny, and the fifty-two-year-old mother of five, who is working in the U.S. to help her family in the Philippines, takes over the care of young William and sets out to patch the rifts in her employers' marriage. |
Clay Jannon, the new night clerk at Mr. Penumbra's 24-hour Bookstore, notices the strange behavior of the customers and is determined to find out what is really going on.

FIC SOLI
Helen Adams, an American photojournalist, arrives in Vietnam in 1965 in search of answers about her brother's death and a cure for her restlessness, and becomes so addicted to the war and caught up in the lives of two men, that she finds it difficult to leave when Saigon falls ten years later.

FIC STROUT

FIC STUCKEY-FRENCH
After fifty years of plotting, seventy-seven-year-old Marylou Ahearn prepares to kill Dr. Wilson Spriggs, who gave her a radioactive cocktail without her consent as part of a secret government study.

FIC SULLIVAN J. COURTNEY
Four women from the Kelleher family gather at the family beach home in Maine, each hoping to find a new outlook on life as three generations help one another deal with sibling rivalry, alcoholism, social climbing, and good old fashioned Catholic guilt.

FIC THOMPSON JEAN

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Linnea is sent to live with her father, Art, after a shooting at her school and as Art tries to understand how he became responsible for a brooding teenager, his neighbor, Christie, becomes involved in a charity because of one of her eccentric patients.

FIC THOMPSON JEAN
The members of the Erickson family come of age during the 1970s and 1980s, facing ordinary circumstances and trying to understand and achieve happiness.

FIC TOOLE

FIC TREMAIN

FIC TROPPER

FIC UDALL
York : W.W. Norton, c2010.

FIC WALTER
Follows a young Italian innkeeper and his almost-love affair with a beautiful American starlet, which draws him into a glittering world filled with unforgettable characters.

FIC WAYNE

FIC WOLITZER
Forging a powerful bond in the mid-1970s that lasts throughout subsequent decades, six individuals pursue challenges into their midlife years, including an aspiring actress who harbors jealousy toward friends who achieve successful creative careers.

FIC WROBLEWSKI
A tale reminiscent of "Hamlet" that also celebrates the alliance between humans and dogs follows speech-disabled Wisconsin youth Edgar, who bonds with three yearling canines and struggles to prove that his sinister uncle is responsible for his father's death.

GILCHRIST
ELLEN GILCHRIST. NORA JANE.

LRG.PRT FIC BUTLER
"Hank, Leland, Kip and Ronny were all born and raised in the same Wisconsin town--Little Wing--and are now coming into their own (or not) as husbands and fathers. One of them never left, still farming the family's land that's been tilled for generations.Others did leave, went farther afield to make good, with varying degrees of success; as a rock star, commodities trader, rodeo stud. And seamlessly woven into their patchwork is Beth, whose presence among them--both then and now--fuels the kind of passion one comes to expect of lovesongs and rivalries. Now all four are home, in hopes of finding what could be real purchase in the world. The result is a shared memory only half-recreated, riddled with culture clashes between people who desperately wish to see themselves as the unified tribe they remember, but are confronted with how things have, in fact, changed. There is conflict here between longtime buddies, between husbands and wives--told with writing that is, frankly, gut-wrenching, and even heartbreaking. But there is also hope, healing, and at times, even heroism. It is strong, American stuff, not at all afraid of showing that we can be good, too--not just fallible and compromising. Shotgun Lovesongs is a remarkable and uncompromising saga that explores the age-old question of whether or not you can ever truly come home again--and the kind of steely faith and love
Josh Fox, presenter. In 2009, filmmaker Josh Fox learned his land was on top of the Marcellus Shale, a giant reservoir of natural gas, and that he would be paid to lease his land for natural gas extraction. Fox documented his cross-country trek to find out if the controversial process of hydraulic fracking is actually safe. What he unearthed was a shocking discovery about a practice that is understudied and inadequately regulated, and raced to find answers about fracking before it was too late.

In this explosive follow-up to his Oscar-nominated film Gasland, filmmaker Josh Fox uses his trademark dark humor to take a deeper, broader look at the dangers of hydraulic fracturing, or fracking, the controversial method of extracting natural gas and oil, now occurring on a global level (in 32 countries worldwide).

A traumatic event near the end of the summer has a devastating effect of Melinda's freshman year in high school.

"Austin Szerba narrates the end of humanity as he and his best friend Robby accidentally unleash an army of giant, unstoppable bugs and uncover the secrets of a decades-old experiment gone terribly wrong"--Provided by publisher.