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The author relates her experience raising a barn owl she had met while working at the owl laboratory at Caltech, discussing her relationship with the bird and what she observed and learned about the species.


The child of an alcoholic father and an eccentric artist mother discusses her family's nomadic upbringing, during which she and her siblings fended for themselves while their parents outmaneuvered bill collectors and the authorities.

Narrated by Brian Keeler. The author's account of his early years describes one of the most severe child abuse cases in California history.

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CD-BOOK BIO PEL  Pelzer, David J. A man named Dave : [a story of triumph and forgiveness]. Prince Frederick, MD : Recorded Books, p2002,
Read by the author. The author visits with his former college professor, who gave him sound advice and guidance when he was younger. In the last months of his life, Morrie teaches Mitch about lessons in how to live once again.

Performance by Tom Stechschulte.

Performed by Stefan Rudnicki, with Gabrielle De Cuir and David Birney, Scott Brick, Jason Cole, Harlan Ellison, Christian Noble, Don Schlossman, M.E. Willis and Orson Scott Card. An outstanding tale of the child-hero Ender Wiggin, who must fight a desperate battle against a deadly alien race if mankind is to survive.

Narrated by Jenna Lamia. During the summer of 1964 in rural South Carolina, a young girl is given a home by three black, beekeeping sisters. As she enters their mesmerizing secret world of bees and honey, she discovers a place where she can find the single thing her heart longs for most.

Read by Sheryl Bernstein. Theresa is the town's most sought-after babysitter but she must cope with the challenges presented by the neighborhood's waiflike children, the tumultuous households of her employers, the mysterious compelling attention of an aging painter.

Read by various narrators. All her life, 13-year old Anna has helped her sister fight leukemia. Anna has provided platelets, bone marrow, and even stem cells to ensure Kate's survival. But when their parents ask her to donate a kidney, Anna has had enough. She enlist the aid of a lawyer and announces her intention to sue for control of her own body.

Narrated by Carol Monda. "New superior court judge Alex Cormier is assigned to preside over the case of the alleged Sterling High School shooter. Lawyer Jordan McAffee represents Peter--the boy who, on the day of the shooting, was found in the corner of the gymnasium holding a gun to his head with a shaky hand. Detective Patrick DuCharme has one star witness, but her story keeps changing. And then there's the biggest problem of all--the star witness happens to be Judge Cormier's daughter."--From container.
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Child-hero Ender Wiggin must fight a desperate battle against a deadly alien race if mankind is to survive.

FIC CARD

FIC DONOGHUE
Narrator Jack and his mother, who was kidnapped seven years earlier when she was a 19-year-old college student, celebrate his fifth birthday. They live in a tiny, 11-foot-square soundproofed cell in a converted shed in the kidnapper's yard. The sociopath, whom Jack has dubbed Old Nick, visits at night, grudgingly doling out food and supplies. But Ma, as Jack calls her, proves to be resilient and resourceful--and attempts a nail-biting escape.

FIC ENGER

FIC EUGENIDES

FIC FORD JAMIE
Henry Lee, a Chinese-American in Seattle, loses his wife to cancer and recalls his youth, when he and his Japanese-American friend, Keiko, spent time together during WWII--before Keiko and her family were interred at a camp--and deals with generational difficulties between himself and his father and college-age son.

FIC FRENCH TANA

FIC GODFREY

FIC GOLDBERG

FIC GUTERSON
Ann Holmes seems an unlikely candidate for revelation. A sixteen-year-old runaway, she is an itinerant mushroom picker who lives in a tent. But on a November afternoon, in the foggy woods of North Fork, Washington, the Virgin comes to her, clear as day. Father Collins--a young priest new to North Fork--finds Ann disturbingly alluring. But it is up to him to evaluate--impartially--the veracity of Ann's sightings. Are they a delusion, or a true calling to God? As word spreads and thousands, including the press, converge upon the town, Carolyn Greer, a smart-talking fellow mushroomer, becomes Ann's disciple of sorts, as well as her impromptu publicity manager. And Tom Cross, an embittered logger who's been out of work since his son was paralyzed in a terrible accident, finds in Ann's visions a last chance of redemption for both himself and his son.

FIC HADDON

FIC HEARN
Hearn, Lian. Across the nightingale floor. New York : Riverhead
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Tara is gorgeous, affluent, and forty. She lives in an impeccably restored Russian Hill mansion in San Francisco. Once a widow, twice divorced, she's a woman with a past she prefers keeping to herself. Enter Cavin Lattimore. He's handsome, kind, charming, and the surgeon assigned to Tara following a ski accident in Lake Tahoe. In the weeks it takes her to recover, Cavin sweeps her off her feet and their relationship blossoms into something Tara had never imagined possible. But then she begins to notice some strange things: a van parked outside her home at odd times, a break-in, threatening text messages and emails. She also starts to notice cracks in Cavin's seemingly perfect personality, like the suppressed rage his conniving teenage son brings out in him, and the discovery that Cavin hired a detective to investigate her immediately after they met.

A "debut novel that cross cuts between a competitive college swimmer's harrowing days in the Rocky Mountains after a major airline disaster and her recovery supported by the two men who love her--only one of whom knows what really happened in the wilderness"--Amazon.com.

The earth has been invaded by a species that take over the minds of their human hosts while leaving their bodies intact, and most of humanity has succumbed. But Melanie Stryder refuses to fade away. Wanderer, the invading "soul" who has been given Melanie's body, knew about the challenges of living inside a human: the overwhelming emotions, the too vivid memories. But there was one difficulty Wanderer didn't expect: the former tenant of her body refusing to relinquish possession of her mind. Melanie fills Wanderer's thoughts with visions of the man Melanie loves--Jared, a human who still lives in hiding. Unable to separate herself from her body's desires, Wanderer yearns for a man she's never met. As outside forces make Wanderer and Melanie unwilling allies, they set off to search for the man they both love.--From publisher description.
Fourteen-year-old Jess' beliefs falter when her evangelical father packs up the family, including her secretly pregnant older sister and her long-suffering mother, to travel across the country and save souls ahead of the anticipated end of the world.

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

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FIC RACCULIA
Mona Jones, having created a simple and withdrawn life with her daughter Oneida and the four eclectic boarders at the Darby-Jones boardinghouse in Ruby Falls, New York, receives a visit from the distraught Arthur Rook who brings along a box of his deceased wife's mementos and a never-mailed postcard addressed to Mona which reveal details about Mona's friendship with the woman and a buried secret that changes their lives.

FIC RACCULIA
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 REDDICK

FIC ROSNAY
American journalist Julia Jarmond researches the brutal 1942 Nazi roundup in Paris and stumbles upon a connection between her family and one of the victims, which compels Julia to learn more about the girl's life.

FIC SEbold

FIC SEE
Sisters Pearl and May Chin are forced into marriages to Chinese men living in America after their father gambles away his wealth; but life in American proves more difficult than they expected.

FIC SEE

FIC SMITH BETTY  
A poignant tale of childhood and the ties of family, "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn" will transport the reader to the early 1900s where a little girl named Francie dreamily looks out her window at a tree struggling to reach the sky.

FIC SPRAGG  

FIC WINTHROP  

NEW 792.7028 DAW  
"Shane Dawson, dubbed "YouTube's comic for the under-30 set" by the New York Times, reveals some of his most embarrassing moments in 20 original, personal essays that are at once hilarious and heartwarming, self-deprecating and, ultimately, inspiring to his audience of more than 12 million channel subscribers"-- Provided by publisher.

NEW FIC CLINE  
It's just another day of high school for Zack Lightman. He's daydreaming through another boring math class, with just one more month to go until graduation and freedom--if he can make it that long without getting suspended again. Then he glances out his classroom window and spots the flying saucer. At first, Zack thinks he's going crazy. A minute later, he's sure of it. Because the UFO he's staring at is straight out of the videogame he plays every night, a hugely popular online flight simulator called Armada--in which gamers just happen to be protecting the earth from alien invaders. But what Zack's seeing is all too real. And his skills--as well as those of millions of gamers across the world--are going to be needed to save the earth from what's about to befall it. Yet even as he and his new comrades scramble to prepare for the alien onslaught, Zack can't help thinking of all the science-fiction books, TV shows, and movies he grew up reading and watching, and wonder: Doesn't something about this scenario seem a little too... familiar?.

NEW FIC FRANKEL  
When her thirteen-year-old daughter Callie begins receiving suicidal notes from Robyn, the girl she supposedly bullied, Rebecca is determined to save the unbalanced Robyn, but in doing so, unknowingly places her own daughter's life in great danger.

NEW FIC SMITH NEIL  
"One minute, Oliver "Boo" Dalrymple is next to his locker at school reciting the periodic table from heart; the next he finds himself in "Town," an afterlife exclusively for thirteen year-olds. As Boo works to acclimate himself to his new home, another boy from his hometown--Johnny--appears, seemingly a victim of the same school shooter. A social outcast back in America, Boo..."
quickly finds the friendship and joy that he never knew in life, but as he and Johnny search for the identity of their mysterious murderer, possibly now a fellow resident of Town, they uncover a truth that will have profound repercussions for them both. Beautifully drawn and filled with colorful characters, Boo is a story about finding your place in the world, be it this one or the next"-- Provided by publisher.

PLAYAWAY KID

Kidd, Sue Monk. The secret life of bees : a novel. Chagrin Falls, Ohio : Findaway World, [2006]. Read by Jenna Lamia. Fourteen-year-old Lily and her companion, Rosaleen, an African-American woman who has cared from Lily since her mother's death ten years earlier, flee their home after Rosaleen is victimized by racist police officers and find a safe haven in Tiburon, South Carolina, at the home of three beekeeping sisters, May, June, and August.