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#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING PHENOMENON More than 6 million copies sold A Reese Witherspoon x Hello Sunshine Book Club Pick A Business Insider Defining Book of the Decade "I can't even express how much I love this book! I didn't want this story to end!"--Reese Witherspoon "Painfully beautiful."--The New York Times Book Review For years, rumors of the "Marsh Girl" have haunted Barkley Cove, a quiet town on the North Carolina coast. So in late 1969, when handsome Chase Andrews is found dead, the locals immediately suspect Kya Clark, the so-called Marsh Girl. But Kya is not what they say. Sensitive and intelligent, she has survived for years alone in the marsh that she calls home, finding friends in the gulls and lessons in the sand. Then the time comes when she yearns to be touched and loved. When two young men from town become intrigued by her wild beauty, Kya opens herself to a new life--until the unthinkable happens. *Where the Crawdads Sing* is at once an exquisite ode to the natural world, a heartbreaking coming-of-age story, and a surprising tale of possible murder. Owens reminds us that we are forever shaped by the children we once were, and that we are all subject to the beautiful and violent secrets that nature keeps.

An internationally respected advocate in the fight for justice for victims of child sexual abuse tells her story of survival in the midst of beatings, daily rape, and sexual slavery and

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details her efforts to secure imprisonment for those responsible for the abuse she suffered.

The Sunday Times and New York Times Bestseller. Although Jodie is only eight years old, she is violent, aggressive, and has already been through numerous foster families. Her last hope is Cathy Glass...

Evan Waller is a monster. He has built a fortune from his willingness to buy and sell anything . . . and anyone. In search of new opportunities, Waller has just begun a new business venture: one that could lead to millions of deaths all over the globe. On Waller's trail is Shaw, the mysterious operative from The Whole Truth, who must prevent Waller from closing his latest deal. Shaw's one chance to bring him down will come in the most unlikely of places: a serene, bucolic village in Provence. But Waller's depravity and ruthlessness go deeper than Shaw knows. And now, there is someone else pursuing Waller in Provence – Reggie Campion, an agent for a secret vigilante group headquartered in a musty old English estate – and she has an agenda of her own. Hunting the same man and unaware of each other's mission, Shaw and Reggie will be caught in a deadly duel of nerve and wits. Deliver Us From Evil is Hitchcockian in its intimate build-up of suspense and filled with the remarkable characters, breathtaking plot turns, and blockbuster finale that are David Baldacci's hallmarks.

‘She touched the photograph in its gilt frame that was always on her desk, of a young, thin woman with very short hair and a baby in her arms. She had one last story to tell. Theirs. And it began in hell on earth.’ It is 1942 and Eva Adami has boarded a train to Auschwitz. Barely able to breathe due to the press of bodies and exhausted from standing up for two days, she can think only of her longed-for reunion with her husband Michal, who was sent there six months earlier. But when Eva arrives at Auschwitz, there is no sign of Michal and

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the stark reality of the camp comes crashing down upon her. As she lies heartbroken and shivering on a thin mattress, her head shaved by rough hands, she hears a whisper. Her bunkmate, Sofie, is reaching out her hand... As the days pass, the two women learn each other's hopes and dreams – Eva's is that she will find Michal alive in this terrible place, and Sofie's is that she will be reunited with her son Tomas, over the border in an orphanage in Austria. Sofie sees the chance to engineer one last meeting between Eva and Michal and knows she must take it even if means befriending the enemy... But when Eva realises she is pregnant she fears she has endangered both their lives. The women promise to protect each other's children, should the worst occur. For they are determined to hold on to the last flower of hope in the shadows and degradation: their precious children, who they pray will live to tell their story when they no longer can. A heart-breaking story of survival, where life or death relies on the smallest chance and happiness can be found in the darkest times. Fans of *The Choice* and *The Tattooist of Auschwitz* will fall in love with this beautiful novel. Readers are captivated by *The Child of Auschwitz*: 'This hauntingly heart-breaking story is one of pure, instinctual survival. It is a story of fierce friendships, unbreakable spirits, and the most powerful love possible ... I was so spellbound by this captivating, riveting read that I could not put it down until I read every last word.' Goodreads Reviewer, ?????? 'This book grabbed me from the first sentence and didn't let me go for the entire journey. I had goosebumps while reading... It is a beautiful story.' Goodreads Reviewer, ?????? 'You will cry, you will be addicted from the start and will find it hard to put down. This book ranks high on my favourite books list a BRILLIANT book and worth far more than 5\* in my opinion EXCELLENT.' Goodreads Reviewer, ?????? 'A book that plays with your emotions, sad and poignant in parts and a

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book I just couldn't put down. A compelling, haunting story. Read it in one day.' Goodreads Reviewer, ?????? 'This stunning historical fiction in the setting of Auschwitz will haunt me for a long time to come. It's a story of love, hope and told through a combination of the present and the past flashbacks. It completely captivated me that I read it in a day because I just couldn't stop' Goodreads Reviewer, ?????? 'The Child of Auschwitz by Lily Graham. Such a beautifully written, incredible story of love, loss, friendship, family... this book was very, very good.' Abbygabbyreadsrightnow, ?????? 'This beautiful story needs to be read and cherished.' Netgalley Reviewer, ?????? 'This story will stay with me. And despite the despicable conditions love can be born of the situation.. if I could rate higher than five stars I would. Superb!' Goodreads Reviewer, ?????? 'I found this such an emotional and evocative read and it kept me gripped and turning those pages well into the night. ...Great characterization and rich descriptive prose that made you feel the cold and their everyday hunger and agony made this a 5 stars highly recommended read from me.' Netgalley Reviewer, ??????

When Edith was stillborn without warning, Jonny and Joanna were stunned and confused. Why wasn't anyone talking about baby loss? Where could they turn for help? Who would answer their burning questions? One in in four pregnancies ends in miscarriage; one in 200 in stillbirth. And yet, while the church offers resources to cope with suffering generally, there is often an echoing silence when it comes to the trauma of baby loss. 'When we lost our daughter Edith,' say Jonny and Joanna, 'it was painful indeed to find the lack of biblically rooted and pastorally sensitive resources.' Nothing really hit the mark, so, through tears, they wrote this book. It comes to you, or someone close to you, with a massive hug. It is the authors' prayer and passion that you will be amazed by our great God as you connect with deep truths from the Bible,

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bringing healing to your heart, mind and soul.

John Peel's programme Home Truths first brought Judy's moving childhood story to light – Abducted by her psychotic spiritualist father and kept like a dog in the backyard, brutalised at the hands of nuns in a Manchester orphanage, and left to live wild on the streets. But Judy survived and today has founded 7 children's centres in South Africa.

A heartbreaking story of family secrets from the USA Today bestselling author of Gracie's Secret. Perfect for fans of Jodi Picoult and Diane Chamberlain. I know you. I know you in a way you can't even imagine. I have been searching for you in the years since you wrote that letter – the letter that told me you were looking for me too. But now that I've found you, I don't know if I can tell you the truth of what happened. It would ruin your perfect life. It would risk your beautiful daughter. So, I watch and I wait – longing to protect you from what's to come. This morning, you're running late and your little girl, tugged by the hand, scurries to keep up with you. She's clean but a little scrawny. Maybe that's because you struggle with the bills; maybe she's just made that way. I know what it is to have lost a precious child. I pray you never learn how that feels. But try as I might to shield you, I can't hold back the past forever... when I finally tell my secret, will it break you like it did me all those years ago? Readers absolutely adore Jill Childs... \*\*\*\*\* 'Wow! There is no other word for this book. It is emotional and thrilling and just plain amazing! I cannot wait to read more of the writer's books in the future!' Goodreads reviewer \*\*\*\*\* 'Absolutely brilliant, brilliant and brilliant, didn't think Jill could "do it again" after reading Gracie's Secret but how wrong could I be? Loved everything about this book.' Goodreads reviewer \*\*\*\*\* 'WOW... this book was just beautifully written throughout and had you gripped from the first few pages.... I just loved this book and the last few chapters will keep on your toes.'

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Goodreads Reviewer \*\*\*\*\* 'The characters are flawed but show great emotion... The author has tremendous insight into the mind of a young child... If you like domestic thrillers, emotion-packed drama, and a gripping storyline this book is definitely for you.'

Waggy Tales Dog Blog \*\*\*\*\* 'Wow. What a great book. Held my attention from the first page to the very last page. I couldn't put it down and finished it in a day. Tugged at my heart... This is my first by this author but after reading this it won't be my last.'

Goodreads reviewer \*\*\*\*\*

'Invisible Girl is an absolutely brilliant emotional roller-coaster of a novel, beautifully written with sensitivity and compassion.... The final chapters were so touching I was close to tears and I didn't want it to end. Thank you, Jill, for producing such a delightful and heart-warming novel, it will stay in my thoughts for a long time.'

Netgalley reviewer \*\*\*\*\*

'This book was so amazing. It was thought provoking and wonderfully well written... This book makes you think and gives you so many feelings. I will spend many days thinking about this book and what I can do! This book is so good!'

Goodreads reviewer \*\*\*\*\* 'Invisible Girl is an engrossing story that is very emotional and well written. This book is a must read this year.'

Goodreads Reviewer 'Absolutely brilliant! A poignant, touching and thrilling take from an amazing writer. Tense and pacy, and yet written with heart. A truly stunning tale.'

Renita D'Silva 'I really enjoyed this book, staying up late into the night to finish it in one sitting. gripping and twisty and with an ending you don't see coming. This is the first of Jill Childs books I have read, but it definitely won't be the last.'

Goodreads reviewer 'I'm a huge fan of Jill Child's books. I really enjoyed this book and I couldn't put it down... I wasn't expecting the ending at all. I thought I had figured it out but I didn't... the twists and turns were very good.'

Goodreads reviewer

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'I just loved this book so much. If I could give it more than 5 stars I would!... I absolutely love the way the story unfolds and the revelations are made. I laughed out loud, I gasped and I sobbed like a small child. Everything you could want from a book and more.' Goodreads Reviewer ?????? When you see them, they are so happy, so in love. He's holding the door open for her, she's clearly expecting a baby. You think: she has everything I don't. Everything I ever dreamed of... There's room in her house where Shelley has shut away a heartbreakingly-soft, never-used baby blanket. In a box, under a bed, behind a door that she never opens. If it's there, she can forget about it. Just like she has her memories. Of a marriage that hadn't been perfect. Of a life that didn't go the way she had hoped. Every day she acts like everything is normal. Going to work and following a routine helps her pretend the bad stuff never happened. Until one day, everything changes. She sees the couple moving in next door, laughing sweetly as they walk up the path to their new home. The woman is pregnant. It's like she has everything that Shelley has lost. But when Shelley properly meets Lara, she soon discovers Lara is actually carrying a heartache to match her own. As her friendship with Lara deepens, Shelley starts to wonder what might happen if she opens the box she's hidden away, with the tiny, beautiful blanket in it. Will the secrets from her past – about

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what she lost, what she's hiding from, and what she has been doing her best to forget – destroy her? Or will opening it up finally give her a chance to live again? A heartbreaking emotional drama about the power of friendship that will make readers laugh and cry, perfect for fans of Jojo Moyes, Dani Atkins and Daniela Sacerdoti. Readers are loving *The Forgotten Wife*: 'Emotional and brilliant at the same time! I have laughed and shouted out loud and cried throughout the book. It is a brilliant read and very hard to put down.' Goodreads Reviewer, ?????? 'OMG. OMG. OMG. The author made me cry. I still had a book hangover when I started writing this review. There was still a lingering lump in my throat all through the day... There are books which leave their wispy trails around you that remind you to find your happiness. This was one such book of friendship... Had me turning the pages slowly, living each word, feeling each emotion, laughing and crying with them.' Shalini's Books and Reviews ?????? 'Heartbreaking... If you read one book this year, make it this.' Goodreads Reviewer ?????? 'Oh wow, this was such an amazing and beautiful book!... Keep your tissues handy.' B for Bookreview ?????? 'This book took me on an extreme emotional roller-coaster ride... I couldn't put [it] down... Fantastic but also heartbreaking... extremely emotional and will bring tears to everyone that reads it.' NetGalley Reviewer ?????? 'An absolutely heart-wrenching



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story. I one hundred percent could not put this book down... An absolute emotional roller coaster. Loved it.' NetGalley Reviewer ?????? 'A beautifully thought-out and poignant story about friendship, love, loss and grief written with sensitivity and emotion, bringing a lump to my throat and a tear to my eye.' NetGalley Reviewer ?????? 'A heartfelt and emotional read!... This book had me reaching for the tissues... Had me hooked from the beginning... Left me thinking about it long after I'd finished.' Stardust Book Reviews ?????? 'A poignant, soulful and uplifting story about tragedy, heartache, rediscovering yourself and the power of friendship. I devoured this book in just a few hours, the beautiful writing and addictive story making it impossible to tear myself away until the end.' Emma's Biblio Treasures ?????? A woman diagnosed with dissociative identity disorder reveals her harrowing journey from abuse to recovery in this #1 New York Times bestselling autobiography written by her own multiple personalities. Successful, happily married Truddi Chase began therapy hoping to find the reasons behind her extreme anxiety, mood swings, and periodic blackouts. What emerged from her sessions was terrifying: Truddi's mind and body were inhabited by the Troops—ninety-two individual voices that emerged to shield her from her traumatizing childhood. For years the Troops created a world where she could hide from the pain of the ritualized

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sexual abuse she suffered at the hands of her own stepfather—abuse that began when she was only two years old. It was a past that Truddi didn't even know existed, until she and her therapist took a journey to where the nightmare began... Written by the Troops themselves, When Rabbit Howls is told by the very alter-egos who stayed with Truddi Chase, watched over her, and protected her. What they reveal is a spellbinding descent into a personal hell—and an ultimate, triumphant deliverance for the woman they became.

Sophie Young tells her shocking true story in *Please Will Someone Help Me?* Sophie Young was born into a dysfunctional family, with a violent mother and father. Sophie was routinely neglected and harmed, starved and left to fend for herself. Social workers were often involved but, despite numerous visits and extensive reports, nothing was ever done. When Sophie was six, her life took another horrible turn: her adored grandfather began to sexually abuse her. *Please Will Someone Help Me?* is Sophie Young's heartbreaking story about a young girl at the mercy of the adult world. With full access to her social work files, she shows how those who are meant to help children can be blind to the reality of their lives; but how, ultimately, love conquers all. Sophie Young was the eldest of three, born into a dysfunctional family that she fought for years to escape. Now forty years old, she lives in England with her husband and

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children, and works as a volunteer for a national children's charity.

When Eileen Munro's mother became pregnant at 16, she was told to give her baby away to a 'good family', but the couple who paid the fee at the Salvation Army mother-and-baby home in Glasgow in 1963 turned out to be alcoholics who neglected and physically abused Eileen. Then, when their marriage broke down, they failed to protect her from sexual abuse at the hands of a family friend. After watching her adoptive mother drown on inhaled vomit, Eileen and her younger sister were taken into care, but her nightmare was to continue as she was subjected to further physical, sexual and emotional abuse. At the age of only seventeen, seven months into a secret pregnancy, she decided that the only way out was through a bottle of painkillers; when she survived and gave birth to a beautiful baby boy, he became her lifeline.

Aren't babies precious? So is sleep. Your baby is capable of sleeping through the night and this book will show you how. A whip smart and entertaining guide that focuses on WHY babies sleep the way they do, this book arms you with evidence-based and flexible tools that work for every unique situation so that you can teach your baby how to sleep well. This book will help you tackle the thorniest sleep snags, including: > Navigating the tricky newborn phase like a pro > Getting your child to truly sleep

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through the night > Weaning off the all-night buffet > Mastering the precarious tango that is healthy napping > Solving toddler and preschooler sleep struggles Sleep expert Alexis Dubief, of the wildly popular website, podcast, and group Precious Little Sleep, imparts effective, accessible, and flexible strategies based on years of research that will dramatically improve your child's sleep. You'll love the practical solutions and the way she presents them. And it works! Buy it now.

Joe knew his mother was cruel and violent, but he trusted his beloved father to protect him from her. When a freak accident saw his father burn to death in front of him, Joe was left at the mercy of his mother. Without the love of his friend and brother, he wouldn't have survived. With them, he went on to spend his life fighting child abuse.

'I handed my school photograph to my mother. She stared from the photograph to me. "Lord, sweet Lord, how come she so ugly. Ugly. Ugly.'" These cruel words are just the beginning. Constance's mother systematically abused her daughter, both physically and emotionally, throughout her childhood. Regularly beaten and starved, the child was so desperate she took herself off to Social Services and tried to get taken into care. When Constance was thirteen, her mother simply moved out, leaving her daughter to fend for herself: there was no gas, no electricity and no food. But somehow Constance found the courage

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to survive her terrible start in life. This is her heartbreaking - and ultimately triumphant story.

Jamie was just five years old and the horrific scene literally struck him dumb. He didn't speak for four and a half years, which meant he was unable to ask anyone for help as his life turned into a living hell. His schizophrenic mother and two of his older brothers spent the following years beating him, raping him and locking him in the cellar at the family home. Fed on scraps that he was forced to lick from the floor, he was sometimes left naked in the dark for three days without human contact. Unable to read or write, all Jamie could do to communicate his suffering was draw pictures - the same one over and over of his father on fire, which allowed his mother to convince teachers at his school that he had been mentally unbalanced by the trauma. The violence and sexual abuse grew in severity as more people, including his stepfather, were invited to use him in any way they chose. The only thing that saved Jamie was the kindness of his elder brother and his only school friend, both of whom showed him that love was possible even in the darkest of situations. At fourteen he finally found the courage to run away, hiding in a hut by a railway line, fed on scraps by some local children who found him, but this 'freedom' was brief. For the next two, bleak years he was dragged between a children's home and his mother's house until the moment he turned sixteen, when he

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walked out and hitch-hiked to the other end of the country, finally free from his tormentors and ready to begin a new life. Jamie's is the ultimate insider's story, casting light into the darkest of hidden worlds, and a truly inspirational account of how one small boy found the strength to overcome almost impossible odds and become a remarkable man. Now that he has found his voice again, Jamie speaks out against child abuse and helps support and protect other children whose lives have been blighted by it.

AN INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER A READ WITH JENNA TODAY SHOW BOOK CLUB PICK! "Brave, fresh . . . unforgettable."--The New York Times Book Review "A celebration of girls who dare to dream."--Imbolo Mbue, author of Behold the Dreamers (Oprah's Book Club pick) Shortlisted for the Desmond Elliott Prize and recommended by The New York Times, Marie Claire, Vogue, Essence, PopSugar, Daily Mail, Electric Literature, Red, Stylist, Daily Kos, Library Journal, The Everygirl, and Read It Forward! The unforgettable, inspiring story of a teenage girl growing up in a rural Nigerian village who longs to get an education so that she can find her "louding voice" and speak up for herself, *The Girl with the Louding Voice* is a simultaneously heartbreaking and triumphant tale about the power of fighting for your dreams. Despite the seemingly insurmountable obstacles in her path, Adunni never

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loses sight of her goal of escaping the life of poverty she was born into so that she can build the future she chooses for herself - and help other girls like her do the same. Her spirited determination to find joy and hope in even the most difficult circumstances imaginable will "break your heart and then put it back together again" (Jenna Bush Hager on The Today Show) even as Adunni shows us how one courageous young girl can inspire us all to reach for our dreams...and maybe even change the world. A small girl asked to do the unthinkable and a God who sees her in the midst of it all. My Mother's Soldier will take you on a horrific and chilling journey of a young girl and the terror that she faced when her mother asked her to do the unthinkable. It allows readers to walk every step of the way and feel the heart-pounding moments leading up to one of the worst days of her life. As you read the disturbing realities of a young life of violence and abuse, you will feel every emotion throughout your mind and your body. While also, you will find inspiration in the ability to overcome a devastating tragedy. From foster care to adulthood what propels her recovery is a very strong and intimate relationship with God. The shocking true story of a mother's neglect and a father's betrayal... When she was only six, Sally's mother died, and when she most needed to feel secure, safe and loved, Sally's father felt free to abuse his daughter whenever he wished. The

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conflict of wanting to be cared for by the same person who was violating her sowed the seeds of self loathing in Sally. Now in a supportive relationship, she has at last found happiness.

Cry Silent Tears The Horrific True Story of the Little Boy in the Cellar HarperCollins UK

'Punished' is the inspiring true story of an unusual little girl, Vanessa, whose childhood was devastated by torture and abuse at the hands of her sadistic mother. Vanessa was nearly destroyed until she discovered a secret that ultimately saved her life.

As heard on BBC Radio 4's Woman's Hour 'Ireland and its people know that Fiona Doyle is a trailblazer' Sunday Independent 'A wrenching read ... Doyle resists giving her story a Hollywood gloss' Irish Independent '[A] hopeful, horrific read' Ray D'Arcy, Today FM 'A testament to her resolve and courage.

A remarkable story by a remarkable woman' Irish Times 'Always inspirational' National Women's Council of Ireland @NWCI 'Fiona Doyle is a hero' Roisin Ingle @roisingle 'Well worth reading' Colette Fitzpatrick, MidWeek, TV3 Too Many Tears is the moving and inspiring story of how Fiona Doyle came through the agony and humiliation of being sexually abused by her father, how she found the strength to seek justice, and how she coped when, at the final hurdle, it appeared that he was about to escape prison. For as long as she can remember, and well into her teens, Fiona's father raped and abused her.



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Her mother blamed Fiona for leading him on. The effects on her life were catastrophic. Fiona first reported her father, Patrick O'Brien, to the authorities in the early nineties but the police investigation went nowhere. She made a second complaint in 2010 and this time, it appeared, O'Brien would face the consequences of his crimes . He, pleaded guilty to sexually assaulting his daughter and Fiona assumed the next time she came to court, he would be going to jail. Instead, shockingly, having suspended nine years of a twelve-year sentence, the judge released O'Brien on bail. Three days later, following a national outcry and questions in parliament, the presiding judge expressed his 'profound regret' to Fiona Doyle and sent O'Brien to jail. Too Many Tears is Fiona Doyle's story of abuse and its aftermath - the turmoil and isolation she experienced as a child and young girl, the devastating price she continued to pay in her adult life, and how finally she had the courage and tenacity to take on her father - and the authorities - to make him face up to what he had done. It is a startling and inspiring story of survival and hope against the odds.

One kiss lasts a moment. But a thousand kisses can last a lifetime. One boy. One girl. A bond that is forged in an instant and cherished for a decade. A bond that neither time nor distance can break. A bond that will last forever. Or so they believe. When seventeen-year-old Rune Kristiansen returns from

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his native Norway to the sleepy town of Blossom Grove, Georgia, where he befriended Poppy Litchfield as a child, he has just one thing on his mind. Why did the girl who was one half of his soul, who promised to wait faithfully for his return, cut him off without a word of explanation? Rune's heart was broken two years ago when Poppy fell silent. When he discovers the truth, he finds that the greatest heartache is yet to come. Standalone Young Adult Tearjerker Romance. For ages 14 and up.

“An eye-opening account of life in China’s orphanages. Kay Bratt vividly details the conditions and realities faced by Chinese orphans in an easy-to-read manner that draws the reader in to the heart-wrenching moments she has experienced in her work to bring hope to these children.”—Dan Cruver, cofounder and director of Together for Adoption

When her family relocated to rural China in 2003, Kay Bratt was thrust into a new world, one where boys were considered more valuable than girls and poverty and the one-child policy had created an epidemic of abandoned infants. As a volunteer at a local orphanage, Bratt witnessed conditions that were unfathomable to a middle-class mother of two from South Carolina. Based on Bratt’s diary of her four years working at the orphanage, *Silent Tears* offers a searing account of young lives rendered disposable. In the face of an implacable system, Bratt found ways to work within (and around) the

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rules to make a better future for the children, whom she came to love. Her story balances the sadness and struggles of life in the orphanage with moments of joy, optimism, faith, and victory. It is the story of hundreds of children—and one woman who never planned on becoming a hero but became one anyway.

A beautiful, sensitive picture book about being able to say goodbye to those we love, while holding them in memory."

Paul Mason's father was a policeman. He was also a member of a sadistic paedophile ring. He would keep Paul locked up and naked in a tiny cupboard under the stairs of their home before sexually abusing him. This cycle of abuse continued for several years and also affected his brother. The cupboard became a horrific prison where fear and terror filled his every moment. The Cupboard Under the Stairs is a story of abuse at the mercy of adults whom Paul should have been able to trust. There followed a life almost destroyed by their actions. It is the harrowing story of one man's fight for justice and an end to the horrific memories that still haunt him daily.

'Wow!!! Where to even begin?? Mind you, it's hard enough to write this with blurry eyes through tears!!... Absolutely heartbreaking and a real tear jerker.'  
Kirsty Whitlock ?????? Cara took a deep breath and let it out slowly. 'She's not just my daughter,' she

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said as she turned to face Jack. This man she had once loved, but who she hadn't seen for nearly five years. 'Sophie is your daughter too.' It is just past ten o'clock on a cold Friday evening when Rebecca and her husband Jack's doorbell rings. Outside is a woman who introduces herself as Jack's ex-girlfriend Cara. And she's holding the hand of a shivering, blue-eyed, four-year-old girl. Who she claims is Jack's daughter. Rebecca is shocked to discover he has a child from his last relationship – even one he hadn't known about. Because becoming parents isn't part of their life plan. They like children, but they also love their freedom and spending time together uninterrupted; the way that, if they wanted to, they could travel the world at a moment's notice. But Cara needs them. Because Cara has a devastating secret that she can't tell anyone yet. Not even her daughter. A secret with the power to change all of their lives. A secret that will ultimately mean Rebecca has to ask herself – could she find it in herself to welcome her husband's child into her home, and into her heart? A heartbreaking and powerful emotional women's fiction novel about love, friendship and what it truly means to be a parent, perfect for fans of Jojo Moyes, Jodi Picoult and Kate Hewitt. Readers are loving My Husband's Daughter: 'Oh my days, what a tear jerker! I have such a book hangover!... I can't remember the last time I read a whole book in one sitting... I have been

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glued to the edge of my seat! I should mention that tissues are a must! I cried more than once (I lost count) and am still wiping away the tears as I write this. The story is so heart breaking but beautifully written that some parts had me both sad but smiling at the same time... Absolutely brilliant!!' Goodreads Reviewer ?????? 'I don't even know where to begin to review this absolutely gut-wrenching, beautiful story... I have never audibly sobbed or struggled to read a book through tears, but this one was tough.... I cannot express the need for everyone to read this book... It is just beautiful and I think it gives a lot for people to learn from in their own lives too.'

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Goodreads Reviewer ?????? 'Will make you cry and

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laugh, feel things you have not even thought about ...

A story that is so touching, extremely emotional, and ultimately heart provoking... I haven't read anything so original for a long time.' The Magical World of Reading ?????? 'Have a box, no two boxes, of tissues at the ready... A beautifully written, heart wrenching story of love and loss... It will stay with you.' Cypresscornerreads ??????

From the age of four, Jane Elliott was forced to carry a terrible secret... Dominated, bullied and sexually abused by her stepfather for 17 years, The Little Prisoner is a devastating true story of one girl's struggle from freedom.

Misty Griffin's story ? Surviving child abuse, parental betrayal, sexual assault, and Amish cruelty A true crime memoir: When Misty was six years old her family started to live and dress like the Amish. Misty and her sister were kept as slaves on a mountain ranch where they were subjected to almost complete isolation, sexual abuse and extreme physical violence. Their step-father kept a loaded rifle by the door at all times to make sure the young girls were too terrified to try to escape. They also knew that no rescue would ever come because only a couple of people even knew they existed and did not know them well enough to care. Amish Sexual abuse: When Misty reached her teens, her parents feared she and her sister would escape and took them to an Amish community where they were adopted and

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became baptized members. Misty was devastated to once again find herself in a world of fear, animal cruelty and sexual abuse. Going to the police was severely frowned upon. A few years later, Misty was sexually assaulted by the bishop. As Misty recalls, "Amish sexual abusers are only shunned by the church for six weeks, a punishment that never seems to work. After I was assaulted by the bishop I knew I had to get help and one freezing morning in early March I made a dash for a tiny police station in rural Minnesota. After reporting the bishop I left the Amish and found myself plummeted into the strange modern world with only a second-grade education and no ID or social security card. To all abuse survivors out there, please be encouraged, the cycle of abuse can be broken. Today, I am a nursing student working towards my master's degree and a child abuse awareness activist. This is my story." If you have read *Scared Selfless*, *A Child Called It*, *The Sound of Gravel*, or *Etched In Sand*, then *Tears of the Silenced* is a must read.

The next book from the number one bestselling author of *Cry Silent Tears*.

This book chronicles the unforgettable account of one of the most severe child abuse cases in California history. It is the story of Dave Pelzer, who was brutally beaten and starved by his emotionally unstable, alcoholic mother: a mother who played tortuous, unpredictable games--games that left him

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nearly dead. He had to learn how to play his mother's games in order to survive because she no longer considered him a son, but a slave; and no longer a boy, but an "it." Dave's bed was an old army cot in the basement, and his clothes were torn and raunchy. When his mother allowed him the luxury of food, it was nothing more than spoiled scraps that even the dogs refused to eat. The outside world knew nothing of his living nightmare. He had nothing or no one to turn to, but his dreams kept him alive--dreams of someone taking care of him, loving him and calling him their son.

A new memoir from Sunday Times and New York Times bestselling author Cathy Glass. When Cathy receives a call about a terminally ill widower terrified of leaving his son all alone in the world, she is wracked with sadness and indecision. Can she risk exposing her own young children to a little boy on the brink of bereavement?

Written after his wife's tragic death as a way of surviving the "mad midnight moment," *A Grief Observed* is C.S. Lewis's honest reflection on the fundamental issues of life, death, and faith in the midst of loss. This work contains his concise, genuine reflections on that period: "Nothing will shake a man -- or at any rate a man like me -- out of his merely verbal thinking and his merely notional beliefs. He has to be knocked silly before he comes to his senses. Only torture will bring out the truth.



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Only under torture does he discover it himself." This is a beautiful and unflinchingly honest record of how even a stalwart believer can lose all sense of meaning in the universe, and how he can gradually regain his bearings.

This heart-wrenching memoir from Toni Maguire tells the deeply moving story of an idyllic childhood that masked a terrible truth. Underneath her mother's gentility and her father's roguish charm lay horrifying secrets, which eventually led to their only child's near destruction. The first time her father made an improper advance on Toni, she was six years old. Her father warned her not to tell her mother, or anyone else, because they would blame her and wouldn't love her any more. It had to remain 'our secret.' When she finally built up the courage to tell her mother what had happened, she was told never to speak of the matter again. With no one to turn to, isolated and alone in rural Ireland, the abuse continued unhindered. At fourteen Toni fell pregnant by her father, and when her state was discovered she was made to have a late abortion which almost killed her. The truth of her childhood could no longer be kept hidden but, just as her father predicted, Toni found herself judged and rejected by her family, teachers and friends. The blame and anger she was treated with only worsened when her father was sent to prison as a result of his actions. This is the compelling story of her struggle to put the ghost of

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her childhood to rest, and emerge ultimately triumphant.

A deadly secret. A horrifying discovery. For over 20 years, Joanne Lee's mother kept the remains of not one, but three newborn babies hidden in a bin in her wardrobe. She had buried a fourth baby in newspaper and rags in St Helens Cemetery. For the first time since exposing her mother's crimes, Joanne breaks her silence over her family's horrific ordeal and her fight for justice for the siblings she never knew. Growing up in chaotic circumstances on Merseyside, Joanne suffered at the hands of a violent boyfriend and controlling relatives, as her mother lapsed into a downward spiral of drinking and casual sex following the break-up of her marriage. But the consequences of her mother's messy lifestyle turned out to be far worse than Joanne could ever have imagined. She already knew of the baby buried in a shallow makeshift grave next to the family plot. But when Joanne came across a red plastic bin in her mother's wardrobe in 2009, she realised that the family home held an even more sinister secret. In *Silent Sisters*, the daughter who was falsely accused of murdering her own baby sister will tell her full story for the first time, detailing her struggle to understand her mother, to piece together the truth and to give the four babies the proper burial they deserve.

Shuttled through a bleak series of foster homes,

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orphanages, and institutions, Jennings never remained in any of them long enough to make a friend. Here, in his own words, Jennings Michael Burch reveals the abuse and neglect he experienced during his lost childhood. But while his experiences are both shocking and devastating, his story is ultimately one of hope - the triumphant tale of a forgotten child who somehow found the courage to reach out for love and found it waiting for him. From the winner of the Nobel Prize in Literature, here is the universally acclaimed novel—winner of the Booker Prize and the basis for an award-winning film. This is Kazuo Ishiguro's profoundly compelling portrait of Stevens, the perfect butler, and of his fading, insular world in post-World War II England. Stevens, at the end of three decades of service at Darlington Hall, spending a day on a country drive, embarks as well on a journey through the past in an effort to reassure himself that he has served humanity by serving the "great gentleman," Lord Darlington. But lurking in his memory are doubts about the true nature of Lord Darlington's "greatness," and much graver doubts about the nature of his own life.

In the small farm town of Arbor Falls, NJ, a young girl named Anelisse must convince her love-struck mother that her new husband is not the man he appears to be. Once his violent true colors are revealed, Anelisse desperately attempts to convince

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her mother to leave him, but to no avail. After realizing she no longer has the support of her mother, Anelisse must do what she can to protect herself, as well as her siblings, in order to make it out of the house alive. Anelisse is the chilling true story of a young New Jersey girl who struggles to survive emotional, physical, and verbal abuse at the hands of her alcoholic stepfather. Based on author Adriana Bellini's real-life battle with child abuse, Anelisse provides a chilling, detailed look inside the dysfunctional world many abused children come from. WARNING: Contains graphic violence and strong language.

Under the cover of anonymity "Paul Saunders" Courageously tells his shockingly true story of how he and his step-siblings were repeatedly abused by their mother and step-father. It doesn't make "easy" reading, But living through it wasn't fun either.

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