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**#1 Son and Other Stories** Titan Books  
(US, CA)

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER •

“Driving, wild and hilarious” (The Washington Post), here is the incredible “memoir” of the legendary actor, gambler, raconteur, and Saturday Night Live veteran. When Norm Macdonald, one of the greatest stand-up comics of all time, was approached to write a celebrity memoir, he flatly refused, calling the genre “one step below instruction manuals.” Norm then promptly took a two-year hiatus from stand-up comedy to live on a farm in northern Canada. When he emerged he had under his arm a manuscript, a genre-smashing book about comedy, tragedy, love, loss, war, and redemption. When asked if this was the celebrity memoir, Norm replied, “Call it anything you damn like.”

**The BUGS Book** IDW Publishing

It will take the Keepers of legend to save Queensland. Too bad all they've got is one man haunted by his past, another who's a failure at magic, and an untrained girl. Mallon the Undying's reign of terror ended eight years ago when he entered the elven wood and never returned. The country of Queensland has shakily returned to normal, and the Keepers who helped defend her have returned to their own pursuits as historians, storytellers, and students of magic. But Mallon's moniker was truer than anyone knew. His followers still work to keep his ruthless

ideas alive by abducting powerful children, sowing discord among the people, and nibbling away at Queensland's borders. Unfortunately, the only Keepers left between Queensland and destruction are: -Alaric, who betrayed everything he believed to save his wife - and still failed.-Will, a storyteller who's convinced his weak magic makes him useless.-And Sini, a former slave girl with unimagined power but no way to wield it. With the help of unsettling elves, gruff dwarves, sentient stones, and magical swords, Alaric, Will, and Sini will have to find a way to overcome their own weaknesses and face the growing shadows. Can the Keepers survive being hunted by dragons, attacked by frost goblins, and deceived by wizards? Or will Mallon's forces of destruction overwhelm them and the land they love? The complete trilogy of The Keepers Chronicles includes: A Threat of Shadows Pursuit of Shadows Siege of Shadows  
*Covid By Numbers* Basic Books  
Exploring the mortality statistics for risky activities in the real world, a journalist and risk expert answer questions about the dangers we encounter in our daily lives through stories of the average Norm and an ingenious measurement called the MicroMort. Original. 35,000 first printing.  
*Stories from the Vehicle City* WaterBrook  
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Bill Bryson, bestselling author of *A Short History of Nearly Everything*, takes us on a head-to-toe tour of the marvel that is the human body—with a new afterword for this edition. Bill Bryson once again proves himself to be an incomparable companion as he guides us through the

human body—how it functions, its remarkable ability to heal itself, and (unfortunately) the ways it can fail. Full of extraordinary facts (your body made a million red blood cells since you started reading this) and irresistible Brysonesque anecdotes, *The Body* will lead you to a deeper understanding of the miracle that is life in general and you in particular. As Bill Bryson writes, “We pass our existence within this wobble of flesh and yet take it almost entirely for granted.” *The Body* will cure that indifference with generous doses of wondrous, compulsively readable facts and information. As addictive as it is comprehensive, this is Bryson at his very best, a must-read owner’s manual for every body.

*Stories and Numbers About Danger and Death* CRC Press

Why does one smoker die of lung cancer but another live to 100? The answer is 'The Hidden Half' - those random, unknowable variables that mess up our attempts to comprehend the world. We humans are very clever creatures - but we're idiots about how clever we really are. In this entertaining and ingenious book, *Blastland* reveals how in our quest to make the world more understandable, we lose sight of how unexplainable it often is. The result - from GDP figures to medicine - is that experts know a lot less than they think. Filled with compelling stories from economics, genetics, business, and science, *The Hidden Half* is a warning that an explanation which works in one arena may not work in another. Entertaining and provocative, it will change how you view the world.

*A World on the Wing: The Global Odyssey of Migratory Birds* Penguin UK  
 Mathematics scares and depresses most of us, but politicians, journalists and everyone in power use numbers all the

time to bamboozle us. Most maths is really simple - as easy as 2+2 in fact. Better still it can be understood without any jargon, any formulas - and in fact not even many numbers. Most of it is commonsense, and by using a few really simple principles one can quickly see when maths, statistics and numbers are being abused to play tricks - or create policies - which can waste millions of pounds. It is liberating to understand when numbers are telling the truth or being used to lie, whether it is health scares, the costs of government policies, the supposed risks of certain activities or the real burden of taxes.

*The Play of Daniel Keyes' Flowers for Algernon* Atlantic Books

NEW YORK TIMES and USA TODAY bestselling author Jenny Nimmo is back with a brand-new series chronicling the origin and the adventures of Charlie Bone's magical ancestor, the Red King! Timoken is a prince born in a secret kingdom. At his birth, a forest jinni bestows magical gifts upon him: a cloak made by the last moon spider and a potion called Alixir. When the peaceful land is attacked, Timoken and his sister, Zobayda, must find a new kingdom to call home. Together, with only the magical gifts and a talking camel, the siblings set off. In this brand-new series, bestselling author Jenny Nimmo takes readers on an extraordinary quest with one of her most powerful and mysterious characters, the one who started it all for Charlie Bone and the children of the Red King.

**Not a Memoir** Penguin

This is not your happily ever after fairytale where the prince rescues his princess and they dance into the sunset. No. This story is a story of darkness, where the good guys go bump in the night. From the author, Relynn Wicks

comes a dark fantasy fiction, and the first installment in The Chronicles of Chaos trilogy, *The Heathen King*. Sebastian Drake, a prince in a royal family in the land of Erras, is one of 13 siblings. Sebastian is the black sheep of the family who holds a mighty gift passed down from the ancient gods. He is adventurous, angsty, disobedient, and in love with a prince from another kingdom named Cyrus. He is despised by his oldest brother, Berren. Berren is the oldest of the Drake siblings. Berren is very militant and angry. He believes he is the future of the kingdom, but deep down knows his brother Sebastian is his ultimate rival. When Sebastian's father, King Ivan decides Sebastian is the ideal future of the Drake family, Berren plans a coo to eliminate his brother's power and position. This is the tale of a prince forced into exile. In this frozen land to the north, he takes arms with a tribe of forgotten warriors who teach him the secret of his power in order to be the king the world needs. Sebastian leads them to war to reclaim his birthright and to save his family and his kingdom from an uncertain future. This sinister fable is packed full of twists, love, and enchantment as the young prince comes to understand his place among the great gods. With great power comes great sacrifice. With great sacrifice, comes honour.

#### Earthsinger Chronicles, Book One

Scholastic Inc.

Hop in for a ride with local history columnist Gary Flinn to the halcyon days of Flint. Revisit the contributions of oft-overlooked David Buick, the inventive and invaluable Flint auto pioneer who lacked the business savvy to become an auto legend. Travel back to the original Kewpee Burger and wash it down with an old Vernor's Ginger Ale before

catching a show at Capitol Theatre. Fast-forward a few years and flip open a copy of the *Flint Voice*, the alternative newspaper published by controversial filmmaker and Flint native Michael Moore. Come along for the journey and time travel through Flint—the Vehicle City.

#### **How to Tell the Truth with Statistics**

Del Rey

The three-story S/M science fiction chapbook that launched Circlet Press. Year One Cambridge University Press Bayesian statistical methods have become widely used for data analysis and modelling in recent years, and the BUGS software has become the most popular software for Bayesian analysis worldwide. Authored by the team that originally developed this software, *The BUGS Book* provides a practical introduction to this program and its use. The text presents complete coverage of all the functionalities of BUGS, including prediction, missing data, model criticism, and prior sensitivity. It also features a large number of worked examples and a wide range of applications from various disciplines. The book introduces regression models, techniques for criticism and comparison, and a wide range of modelling issues before going into the vital area of hierarchical models, one of the most common applications of Bayesian methods. It deals with essentials of modelling without getting bogged down in complexity. The book emphasises model criticism, model comparison, sensitivity analysis to alternative priors, and thoughtful choice of prior distributions—all those aspects of the "art" of modelling that are easily overlooked in more theoretical expositions. More pragmatic than ideological, the authors systematically work through the large range of "tricks"

that reveal the real power of the BUGS software, for example, dealing with missing data, censoring, grouped data, prediction, ranking, parameter constraints, and so on. Many of the examples are biostatistical, but they do not require domain knowledge and are generalisable to a wide range of other application areas. Full code and data for examples, exercises, and some solutions can be found on the book's website.

**Hex Life: Wicked New Tales of Witchery** Cursed Blood Chronicles  
Privacy law isn't working. Waldman's groundbreaking work explains why, showing how tech companies manipulate us, our behavior, and our law.

*Invisible Men: The Trailblazing Black Artists of Comic Books* Penguin UK

'I couldn't imagine a better guidebook for making sense of a tragic and momentous time in our lives. Covid by Numbers is comprehensive yet concise, impeccably clear and always humane' Tim Harford How many people have died because of COVID-19? Which countries have been hit hardest by the virus? What are the benefits and harms of different vaccines? How does COVID-19 compare to the Spanish flu? How have the lockdown measures affected the economy, mental health and crime? This year we have been bombarded by statistics - seven day rolling averages, rates of infection, excess deaths. Never have numbers been more central to our national conversation, and never has it been more important that we think about them clearly. In the media and in their Observer column, Professor Sir David Spiegelhalter and RSS Statistical Ambassador Anthony Masters have interpreted these statistics, offering a vital public service by giving us the tools we need to make sense of the virus for ourselves and holding the government to

account. In Covid by Numbers, they crunch the data on a year like no other, exposing the leading misconceptions about the virus and the vaccine, and answering our essential questions. This timely, concise and approachable book offers a rare depth of insight into one of the greatest upheavals in history, and a trustworthy guide to these most uncertain of times.

**Risk and Uncertainty** Pearson UK  
A Time Magazine Best Fantasy Book of 2018 L. Penelope's Song of Blood & Stone is a treacherous, thrilling, epic fantasy about an outcast drawn into a war between two powerful rulers. The kingdoms of Elsira and Lagrimar have been separated for centuries by the Mantle, a magical veil that has enforced a tremulous peace between the two lands. But now, the Mantle is cracking and the True Father, ruler of Lagrimar and the most powerful Earthsinger in the world, finally sees a way into Elsira to seize power. All Jasmina ever wanted was to live quietly on her farm, away from the prying eyes of those in the nearby town. Branded an outcast by the color of her skin and her gift of Earthsong, she's been shunned all her life and has learned to steer clear from the townsfolk...until a group of Lagrimari soldiers wander into her valley with an Elsiran spy, believing they are still in Lagrimar. Through Jack, the spy, Jasmina learns that the Mantle is weakening, allowing people to slip through without notice. And even more troubling: Lagrimar is mobilizing, and if no one finds a way to restore the Mantle, it might be too late for Elsira. Their only hope lies in uncovering the secrets of the Queen Who Sleeps and Jasmina's Earthsong is the key to unravel them. Thrust into a hostile society and a world she doesn't know, Jasmina and Jack

race to unveil an ancient mystery that might offer salvation.

*All the Best Stories Start with a Bad Decision* St. Martin's Griffin

\*A continuation of The Phoenix Club series. "I don't know if my story is truly that powerful, as to light the path for another soul. Will others who read this view my boys and I in a positive light, feel the love and beauty of what we have shared, sense the unbreakable bond of our "family"...or will we be cast aside as the dredge of society, written off as unwelcome scars that marred the face of this world. I suppose that remains to be seen. But now, as before, it doesn't matter. We know who we are to each other, what we would do for one another; there is no limit. We are friends. We are lovers. We are family. And this is our love story."\*Contains explicit M/M sex scenes and strong language. 18+ readers only.

**The Secret Kingdom** Basic Books (AZ)  
War threatens the peaceful land of Chiril... can one painter-turned-reluctant-swordsman really help? With an invasion of her country imminent, Tipper Schope is drawn into a mission to keep three important statues from falling into the enemy's clutches. Her friend, the artist Bealomondore, helps her execute the plan, and along the way he learns to brandish a sword rather than a paintbrush. As odd disappearances and a rash of volatile behavior sweep Chiril, no one is safe. A terrible danger has made his vicious presence known: The Grawl, a hunter unlike any creature encountered before. To restore their country, Tipper, Bealomondore, and their party must hide the statues in the Valley of the Dragons and find a way to defeat the invading army. When it falls to the artistic Bealomondore to wield his sword as powerfully and naturally as a paintbrush,

will he answer Wulder's call for a champion?

*The True Stories of Living Abroad* Rupa Publications India

All the Best stories Start with a Bad Decision is an almost true tale of the adventures of a young man as he navigates life through the 1980s in a small college town in the Midwest. With a backdrop of Sex, Drugs, Rock and Roll, a dash of idiocy, a teaspoon of lunacy, and a sprinkle of fun. The Chronicles of Burd (volume 1) is a series of stories that shine a light on the backside of punk rock history, as shown through the eyes of a "middle of the country blue-collar kid" and the chaotic, march of that music into mainstream America. These stories are a microcosm of American Youth in the 1980s that are every bit as funny and dramatic as those told by past generations of kids who accidentally change the Country around them as they navigate through the last tattered vestiges of their youth. Step back through time and experience life through the eyes of a rabble-rousing rock and roll rebel and his bohemian tribe of misfit friends.

Book One - Orientation Penguin

With Jet's freshman year gearing up to start, and the normal pressures of college looming, Jet will have to navigate finding a place to fit in, classes, homework, tests, and papers. But in a world where people have powers and abilities and can-do extraordinary things. A new norm has been imbedded into the College curriculum. Students must also complete tasks and assignments within a virtual reality called the AITS to hone their abilities and skills. The idea of who is the strongest, hovers over the whole student body and fighting, backstabbing and betrayal are ever present. This notion is amplified during the spring

semester of every year when the student spends the remainder of the year within the AITS. Over time Jet will find out who his real friends are and what he must do to survive this hostile world of college. What secrets will be revealed this year. Will one of them be Jet's dark secret? Will he be able to control the aftermath if it's revealed or will it harm everyone around him?

#### *Industry Unbound Anchor*

In his acclaimed Codex Alera novels, #1 New York Times bestselling author Jim Butcher has created a fascinating world of elemental magic. Now, as enemies become allies, and friends become bitter foes, a danger beyond reckoning looms for all... After two years of bitter conflict with the hordes of invading Canim warriors, Tavi of Calderon, now Captain of the First Aleran Legion, realizes that a peril far greater than the Canim exists—the mysterious threat that drove the savage Canim to flee their homeland. Tavi proposes attempting an alliance with the Canim against their common foe, but his warnings go unheeded. For the Senate's newly-appointed military commander has long desired to wipe out the Canim "scourge," and their slave allies. Now, Tavi must find a way to overcome centuries-old animosities if an alliance is to be forged, and he must lead his legion in defiance of the law, against friend and

foe—or none will have a chance of survival...

#### **A Practical Introduction to Bayesian Analysis** Heinemann

Following *Perdido Street Station* and *The Scar*, acclaimed author China Miéville returns with his hugely anticipated *Del Rey* hardcover debut. With a fresh and fantastical band of characters, he carries us back to the decadent squalor of New Crobuzon—this time, decades later. It is a time of wars and revolutions, conflict and intrigue. New Crobuzon is being ripped apart from without and within. War with the shadowy city-state of Tesh and rioting on the streets at home are pushing the teeming city to the brink. A mysterious masked figure spurs strange rebellion, while treachery and violence incubate in unexpected places. In desperation, a small group of renegades escapes from the city and crosses strange and alien continents in the search for a lost hope. In the blood and violence of New Crobuzon's most dangerous hour, there are whispers. It is the time of the iron council. . . . The bold originality that broke Miéville out as a new force of the genre is here once more in *Iron Council*: the voluminous, lyrical novel that is destined to seal his reputation as perhaps the edgiest mythmaker of the day. **BONUS:** This edition contains an excerpt from China Miéville's *Embassytown*.

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