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#### **BIOGRAPHIES**

#### Baddest Man: The Making of Mike Tyson

#### -Mark Kriegel

An acclaimed New York Times bestselling author whose coverage of Mike Tyson and his inner circle dates back to the 1980s offers a magnificent noir epic about fame, race, greed, criminality, trauma, and the creation of the most feared and mesmerizing fighter in boxing history.

#### Desi Arnaz: The Man Who Invented Television

-Todd S. Purdum

Chronicles the life of a trailblazing Cuban American who revolutionized television and brought laughter to millions as Lucille Ball's beloved husband on I Love Lucy, leaving a legacy that continues to influence American culture today.

#### Hollywood Vampires: Johnny Depp, Amber Heard, and the Celebrity Exploitation Machine -Kelly Loudenberg & Makiko Wholey

Offers an inside account of one of the most controversial and consequential celebrity scandals of the internet era.

#### How to Lose Your Mother: A Daughter's Memoir

-Molly Jong-Fast

A darkly funny and deeply honest memoir exploring a daughter's complex relationship with her famous, elusive mother, the impact of dementia, blending humor, heart and raw reflection on loss, family and identity.

#### **CHRISTIAN/INSPIRATIONAL FICTION**

#### **Capture the Moment**

#### -Suzanne Woods Fisher

Kate Cunningham is facing the opportunity of a lifetime. As a zoo photographer, she's spent years photographing animals in carefully controlled environments, but now National Geographic has dangled an irresistible prize: If Kate can snag a unique photo of a legendary bear in Grand Teton National Park, they just might publish it.

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#### -Jessica Ashley

A soldier tormented by the past. A woman with no memory. A love neither of them saw coming. Elliot "Echo" Hunt carries the weight of his past, haunted by the one person he couldn't save. When he finds an injured woman on his ranch, he rescues her without hesitation-only to realize she looks eerily like the one he couldn't protect.

#### Land of Dreams

#### -Lauraine Snelling

On the ship to America, Norwegian immigrant Amalia Gunderson makes a solemn promise to a dying mother, vowing to watch over her five-year-old daughter, Ruth. Together, Amalia and Ruth trek to Iowa to claim the farm and former boardinghouse that Ruth has inherited, despite opposition from a difficult cousin.

#### CHRISTIAN/INSPIRATIONAL FICTION (CONTINUED)

#### Unshaken

#### -Shelley Shepard Gray

When Stephanie Miller planned her visit to a dollar store in southern Ohio, she was expecting to pick up a few items she couldn't find in her Amish community. She was not expecting to find herself an innocent bystander as a drug deal went horribly wrong.

#### FANTASY & SCI-FI

#### Bury Our Bones in the Midnight Soil

#### -V.E. Schwab

From the #1 New York Times best-selling author of The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue comes a new genre-defying novel about immortality and hunger.

#### □ Fallen Gods

#### -Rachel Van Dyken

In a remote Norwegian town, Liv seeks answers but instead uncovers an ancient, perilous tale entwining myth, secrets and a dangerous romance in the new novel by the author of The Chemistry of Us.



#### A Magic Deep and Drowning

-Hester Fox

A gender-flipped historical fantasy retelling of The Little Mermaid is set in the Dutch Golden Age.

#### □ Unworld

#### -Jayson Greene

In a near-future where digital and human consciousness blur, a grieving mother, a traumatized witness, an AI professor, and a rogue digital entity confront the mystery of a young man's death, unraveling questions of memory, identity, and what it means to be alive.

#### **GENERAL FICTION**

#### The Accidental Favorite

#### -Fran Littlewood

A moving family dramedy investigates the question so many of us have asked ourselves: do my parents have a favorite?

#### **Days of Light**

#### -Megan Hunter

On Easter Sunday in 1938, 19-year-old Ivy stands at the threshold of adulthood, unaware that a single enchanted evening and an unforeseen tragedy will reshape her life, setting her on a decades-long journey through love, war, and the search for meaning.

#### □ Fox

#### -Joyce Carol Oates

After the vehicle belonging to the enigmatic new teacher at a boarding school is discovered submerged in the woods near a dead body, the community begins to unravel in the new novel by the author of We Were the Mulvaneys.

#### □ The Love Fix

#### -Jill Shalvis

In a heartwarming enemies-to-lovers tale, found family, forgiveness and love may just be the key to finding oneself.

#### □ A Mother's Love

#### -Danielle Steel

Empty-nester and bestselling author Halley Holbrook befriends charming Bart Warner on a flight to Paris, but when a cunning thief steals her handbag and starts harassing her, reawakening ghosts from her traumatic childhood, she fights back with Bart's help.

#### □ The Summer That Changed Everything

#### -Brenda Novak

A disgraced prodigal daughter returns to a seemingly charming beach town to delve into its deadly past.

#### **HISTORICAL FICTION**

#### The House of Two Sisters

#### -Rachel Louise Driscoll

Clementine's translation of a cryptic amulet at her father's Egyptian relic party in 1887 Essex coincides with a series of tragedies, leading her five years later to Cairo, where she joins a perilous journey down the Nile to return the artifact.

#### □ The Listeners

#### -Maggie Stiefvater

June Porter Hudson struggles to maintain the elegance of the Avallon Hotel in 1942 West Virginia when it is secretly repurposed to house captured Axis diplomats, forcing her to balance wartime tensions, divided loyalties, and the covert operations of an FBI agent.

#### The Stolen Life of Colette Marceau

#### -Kristin Harmel

A new historical novel features two jewel thieves, a priceless bracelet that disappears in 1940s Paris and a quest for answers in a decades-old murder.

#### Thus with a Kiss I Die

#### -Christina Dodd

Rosie Montague, a 20-year-old free spirit in Verona, finds her life upended when she's tasked by the ghost of Prince Escalus the Elder to solve his murder, all while navigating a love triangle, revolution, and a looming threat that may turn her into a tragic heroine.

#### **MYSTERY & DETECTIVE**

#### □ A Catered Bake-Off

#### -Isis Crawford

Sisters Bernie and Libby Simmons's baking competition sours with suspicious ingredients, malfunctioning appliances, a goat invasion, and ominous notes delivered to the cast and crew—and when a judge meets a grisly end, the sleuthing siblings race to catch a mixed-up killer.



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#### Knave of Diamonds

#### -Laurie R. King

Mary Russell's long-lost Uncle Jake reappears and is somehow connected to the infamous theft of the Irish Crown Jewels, pulling her into a mystery and pitting her against Sherlock Holmes, Mycroft and her own loyalties.

#### □ Last Dance Before Dawn

#### -Katharine Schellman

When a stranger from Chicago appears at speakeasy The Nightingale to settle old scores, Vivian and owner Honor Huxley send him packing; but slowly they realize someone's hunting them and won't stop until the old mystery of a missing girl and a truck full of cash has been unraveled.

#### Murder Takes a Vacation

#### -Laura Lippman

Former private investigator and middle-aged widow Muriel Blossom's vacation on a Parisian River cruise turns into a deadly international mystery ... that only she can solve.

#### Shaw Connolly Lives to Tell

#### -Gillian French

One woman who will stop at nothing to uncover the truth behind her sister's disappearance.

#### A Terribly Nasty Business

#### -Julia Seales

Beatrice Steele settles with chaperone Miss Bolton in the London neighborhood of Sweetbriar and opens D.S. Investigations with Inspector Drake, yet they lose all serious cases to her former crush Sir Huxley—until multiple murders thrust them into a scandal pitting the wealthiest residents against the arts community.

#### **NONFICTION**

#### Allies at War: How the Struggles Between the Allied Powers Shaped the War and the World -Tim Bouverie

Ambitious and compelling, revealing the political drama behind the military events, this fast-paced narrative history offers a fresh perspective on the Second World War and the origins of the Cold War.

#### Human Nature: Nine Ways to Feel About Our Changing Planet

#### -Kate Marvel

Explores climate change using nine different emotions to better understand the science, history and future of our evolving planet

#### Lift: How Women Can Reclaim Their Physical Power and Transform Their Lives

#### -Anne Marie Chaker

A journalist and bodybuilder explore how strength training transforms women's health, confidence and resilience while challenging societal norms, reshaping self-worth and offering practical guidance to harness physical power for lasting empowerment at any stage of life.

#### Murderland: Crime and Bloodlust in the Time of Serial Killers

#### -Caroline Fraser

From the Pulitzer Prize–winning author of Prairie Fires comes a terrifying true-crime history of serial killers in the Pacific Northwest and beyond—a gripping investigation of how a new strain of psychopath emerged out of a toxic landscape of deadly industrial violence.

#### ROMANCE

#### □ It Takes a Psychic

#### -Jayne Castle

Renowned para-archeologist Leona Griffin discovers Pandora's Box at an elite collectors' gala and uncovers a deadly cult that forces her into an uneasy alliance with the mysterious Oliver Rancourt in the latest addition to series following People in Glass Houses.

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### Problematic Summer Romance

#### -Ali Hazelwood

In a romance set in Italy, 23-year-old Maya Kilgore is still in the process if figuring out her life.

#### □ Slow Burn Summer

#### -Josie Silver

When grieving author Hugh Hudson secretly pens a romance novel, talent agent Charlie Francisco hires struggling actress Kate Elliot to pose as the writer, but her anonymous correspondence with Hugh and deepening intimacy with Charlie threatens to unravel their deception.

#### Sounds Like Love

#### -Ashley Poston

Haunted by emptiness despite her status as a coveted songwriter, Joni Lark returns to her North Carolina hometown where her family's closing music venue sparks a mysterious telepathic connection with a guarded musician determined to complete a haunting melody.

#### SUSPENSE/THRILLER

#### Cry Havoc

#### -Jack Carr

Amidst the turbulent backdrop of 1968, Navy SEAL Tom Reece navigates a clandestine mission across Vietnam and beyond, uncovering a Soviet plot that threatens to reshape global power in a high-stakes tale of espionage, betrayal and brutal realism.

#### Don't Forget Me, Little Bessie

#### -James Lee Burke

At the dawn of the twentieth century, Bessie Holland finds strength in a suffragette mentor, battles forces threatening her Texas home and flees to New York, where she is drawn into a violent underworld that tests her unbreakable spirit.

#### SUSPENSE/THRILLER (CONTINUED)

#### El Dorado Drive

#### -Megan Abbott

Facing financial ruin, three sisters in Detroit join a seemingly lucrative club called "The Wheel," but their desperation for financial independence spirals into an addiction, leading to shocking crimes that threaten to destroy everything.

#### It Happened on the Lake

#### -Lisa Jackson

When Harper Reed Prescott returns to her family's eerie Victorian house on Lake Twilight to sell it, old rumors of murder and disappearance resurface, along with chilling memories, unsettling whispers and the terrifying suspicion that someone is watching her.

#### □ Kill Your Darlings

#### -Peter Swanson

Wendy and Thom's marriage is told in reverse, moving backward to witness key moments from the couple's lives—their fiftieth birthday party, Jason's birth, the mysterious death of a colleague—all painting a portrait of a marriage defined by a terrible act they plotted together years ago.

#### □ King of Ashes

#### -S.A. Cosby

After returning to Jefferson Run, Virginia, and family business Carruthers Crematorium—with brother Dante in debt to criminals and sister Neveah exhausted from holding everything together—Roman discovers that his father's crash was no accident and Dante has placed them all in real danger.

#### □ Stuart Woods' Finders Keepers

#### -Brett Battles

After helping his friend Jack Coulter's newly divorced niece, Sara, adjust to life in New York, Stone Barrington becomes entangled in a dangerous scheme as men from Sara's past are attacked and Jack's family is threatened by an unknown adversary with deadly intentions.

#### With a Vengeance

#### -Riley Sager

Anna Matheson lures six people onto a luxury train to expose their crimes against her family a decade earlier, but when a passenger is murdered, she must risk her life to protect those she sought to destroy

#### **CD AUDIOBOOKS**

#### □ Just for the Summer

#### -Abby Jimenez

Justin has a curse, and thanks to a Reddit thread, it's now all over the internet. Every woman he dates goes on to find their soul mate the second they break up. When a woman slides into his DMs with the same problem, they come up with a plan: They'll date each other and break up.

#### □ The Medici Return

#### -Steve Berry

Cotton Malone is on the hunt for a forgotten 16th century Pledge of Christ--a sworn promise made by Pope Julius II that evidences a monetary debt owed by the Vatican, still valid after five centuries--now worth in the trillions of dollars. But collecting that debt centers around what happened to the famed Medici of Florence--a family that history says died out, without heirs, centuries ago.

#### Nobody's Fool

#### -Harlan Coben

In this stunningly twisty thriller from #1 New York Times bestselling author Harlan Coben, a secret from former Detective Sami Kierce's college days comes back to haunt him. His memory is clear, but all these years later, the facts don't add up...which is something he cannot ignore.

#### □ Strangers in Time

#### -David Baldacci

Fourteen-year-old Charlie Matters is up to no good, but for a very good reason. Without parents, peerage, or merit, he steals what he needs, living day-to-day until he's old enough to enlist to fight the Germans. After barely surviving the Blitz, Charlie knows there's no telling when a falling bomb might end his life.

#### PLAYAWAY AUDIOBOOKS

#### ] How to Seal Your Own Fate

#### -Kristen Perrin

Present day: Annie Adams is just settling into life in Castle Knoll when local fortune teller Peony Lane shares a cryptic message only hours before being found dead inside the locked Gravesdown Estate. Annie has no choice but to delve into the dark secrets of her new countryside home in order to find out just what Peony Lane was trying to warn her about, before her brand new life comes crashing down around her.

#### □ The Missing Half

#### -Ashley Flowers

Nicole "Nic" Monroe is in a rut. At twenty-four, she lives alone in a dinky apartment in her hometown of Mishawaka, Indiana, she's just gotten a DWI, and she works the same dead-end job she's been working since high school, a job she only has because her boss is a family friend and feels sorry for her. Everyone has felt sorry for her for the last seven years--since the day her older sister, Kasey, vanished without a trace.

#### Parents Weekend

#### -Alex Finlay

In the glow of their children's exciting first year of college at a small private school in Northern California, five families gather over dinner and cocktails for the opening festivities of Parents Weekend. As the parents stay out way past their bedtimes, their kids--five residents of Campisi Hall--never show up to dinner.

#### □ Sunrise on the Reaping

#### -Suzanne Collins

As the day dawns on the fiftieth annual Hunger Games, fear grips the districts of Panem. This year, in honor of the Quarter Quell, twice as many tributes will be taken from their homes. Back in District 12, Haymitch Abernathy is trying not to think too hard about his chances. All he cares about is making it through the day and being with the girl he loves.



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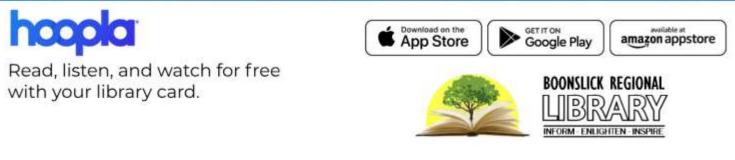






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