

Zibby's Ultimate Summer Reading List



Welcome, readers!! There are a LOT of new books out there. Here's my list — sorted by fun categories — so you can find the book for YOU. (I also included a few books coming out this fall that you can pre-order.)

So browse! Travel. Escape. Laugh. Cry.
Think. Feel. Relax.
And remember:
stories are best when shared! Enjoy.

If you do read a book off the list, please **tag the author and me** (@zibbyowens)!



DESTINATION: ITALY

My Roman History by Alizah Holstein

Every Time We Say Goodbye by Natalie Jenner

Every Time I Go On Vacation, Someone Dies by Catherine Mack

The Heirloom by Jessie Rosen

One Last Shot by Betty Cayouette

The Main Character by Jaclyn Goldis

The Sicilian Inheritance by Jo Piazza

The Glassmaker by Tracey Chevalier

DESTINATION: PARIS

The Paris Novel by Ruth Reichl

I'm Mostly Here to Enjoy Myself: One Woman's Pursuit of Pleasure in Paris by Glynnis MacNicol

The French Ingredient: Making a Life in Paris, One Lesson at a Time by Jane Bertch

Swimming in Paris by Colombe Schneck

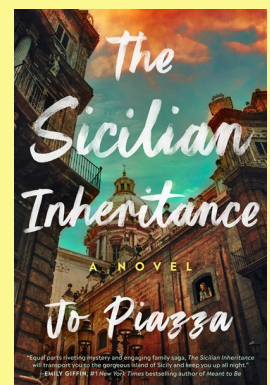
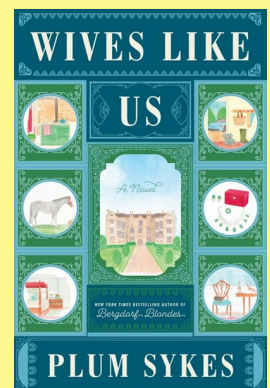
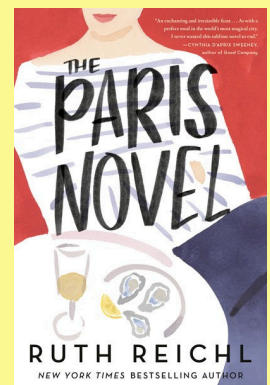
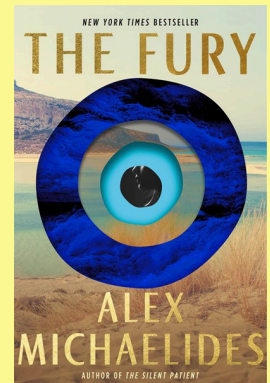
DESTINATION: CASTLES AND COMPOUNDS

Wives Like Us by Plum Sykes

Lovers and Liars by Amanda Eyre Ward

Alternate Endings by Ali Rosen

The Fury by Alex Michaelides



LOCALS & COASTALS

Wait by Gabriella Burnham

Women and Children First by Alina Grabowski

Bear by Julia Phillips

Seven Summers by Paige Toon

The Winner by Teddy Wayne

My Favorite Terrible Thing by Madeleine Henry

Elizabeth of East Hampton by Audrey Bellezza and Emily Harding

All the Summers in Between by Brooke Lea Foster

YIKES MOMENTS

Better Left Unsent by Lia Louis

One Last Word by Suzanne Park

NUMBERS

Seven Summer Weekends by Jane L. Rosen

Seven Summers by Paige Toon

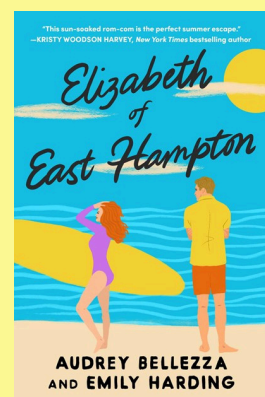
888 Love and The Divine Burden of Numbers by Abraham Chang

DEATH ITSELF

Nothing to Fear by Julie McFadden, RN

Getting to Know Death by Gail Godwin

The Love of My Afterlife by Kirsty Greenwood



FOR THE HISTORY BUFF

The Year of Living Constitutionally by AJ Jacobs

The Wealth of Shadows by Graham Moore

Taking London by Martin Dugard

John Quincy Adams by Randall Woods

WEDDING SEASON

Never Been Better by Leanne Toshiko Simpson

Wedding Issues by Elle Evans

The Wedding People by Alison Espach

Lies and Weddings by Kevin Kwan

The Stranger at the Wedding by A.E. Gauntlett

The World After Alice by Lauren Aliza Green

Lovers & Liars by Amanda Eyre Ward

A Wedding in Lake Como by Jennifer Probst

The Unwedding by Ally Condie

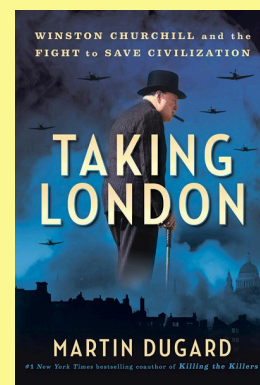
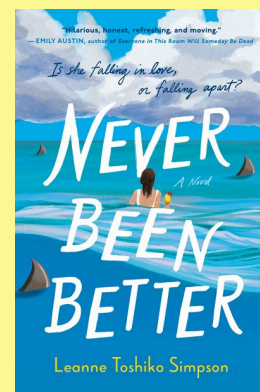
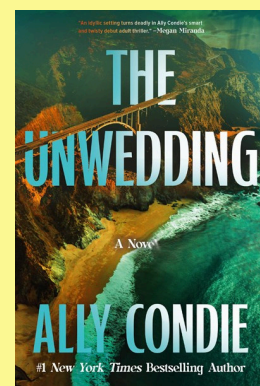
People Will Talk by Kieran Scott

BACK TO SCHOOL

The Faculty Lounge by Jennifer Mathieu

Plays Well With Others by Sophie Brickman

It's Elementary by Elise Bryant



FAMILY DRAMA

How the Light Gets In by Joyce Maynard

Within Arm's Reach by Ann Napolitano

Same As it Ever Was by Claire Lombardo

Last House by Jessica Shattuck

Long Island Compromise by Taffy Brodesser-Akner

And So I Roar by Abi Daré

Grown Women by Sarai Johnson

Long Island by Colm Tóibín

Swift River by Essie Chambers

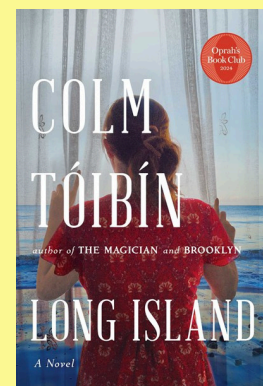
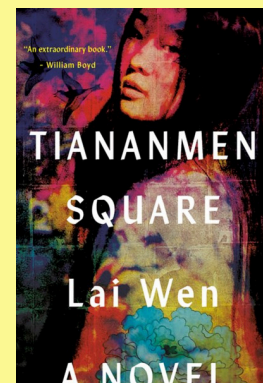
Lucky by Jane Smiley

Tiananmen Square by Lai Wen

Belief Is Its Own Kind of Truth, Maybe by Lori Jakiela

Honey by Victor Lodato

Pearce Oysters by Joselyn Takacs



A LITTLE TOUCH OF MAGIC

The Enchanted Hacienda by J.C. Cervantes

My Mother Cursed My Name by Anamely Salgado Reyes

A Novel Love Story by Ashley Poston

The Life Impossible by Matt Haig

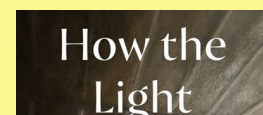
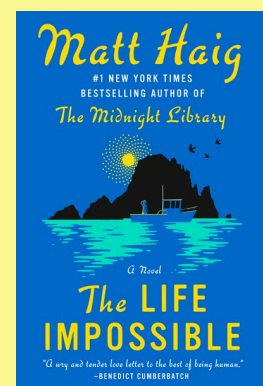
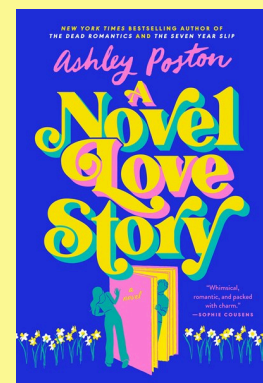
Mysterious Ways by Wendy Wunder

Expiration Dates by Rebecca Serle

The Cliffs by J. Courtney Sullivan

Magic ENUFF by Tara Stringfellow

The Limits by Nell Freudenberger



LIFE AND LOVE AFTER DIVORCE

Liars by Sarah Manguso

Wives Like Us by Plum Sykes

All They Need to Know by Eileen Goudge

The Divorcées by Rowan Beaird

Bad Tourists by Caro Carver

Back on the Market: A Realtor's Guide to Love and Life

by Holly Parker with Laura Morton

Birding with Benefits by Sarah T. Dubb

Divorce Towers by Ellen Meister

Summer Romance by Annabel Monaghan

Alternate Endings by Ali Rosen

Boss Lady by Alli Frank and Asha Youmans

Kissing Girls on Shabbat: A Memoir by Dr. Sara Glass

This Used to Be Us by Renée Carlino

Leaving by Roxana Robinson

The Divorce by Moa Hengren

The Marriage Sabbatical by Lian Dolan

HOLLYWOOD GLITZ AND GLAMOUR

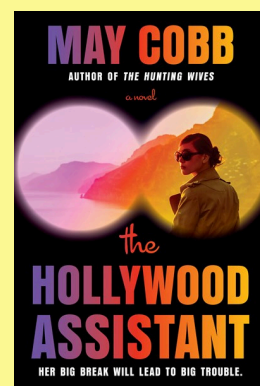
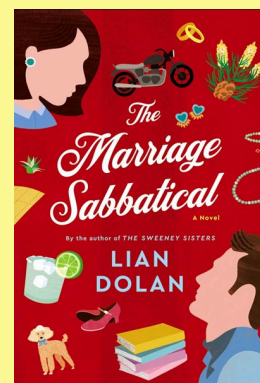
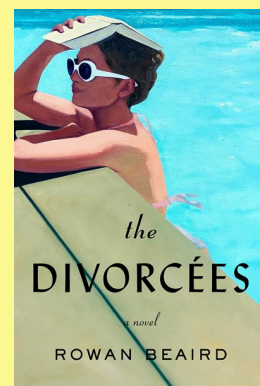
Most Hated by Kara Alloway

Director's Cut by Carlyn Greenwald

The Hollywood Assistant by May Cobb

The Goddess of Warsaw by Lisa Barr

The Princess of Las Vegas by Chris Bohjalian



SHE MOVES IN MYSTERIOUS WAYS

The Final Act of Juliette Willoughby by Ellery Lloyd

Safe and Sound by Laura McHugh

Creation Lake by Rachel Kushner

The God of the Woods by Liz Moore

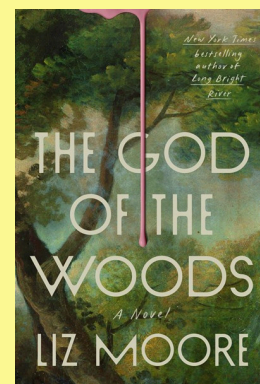
The Return of Ellie Black by Emiko Jean

Days of Wonder by Caroline Leavitt

Guide Me Home by Attica Locke

The Disappeared by Rebecca Sanford

All the Colors of the Dark by Chris Whitaker



NOVELS FOR NEW MOMS (OR MAYBE NOT)

I'll Come to You by Rebecca Kauffman

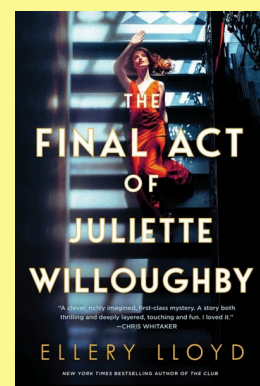
Soldier Sailor by Claire Kilroy



NOVELS WITH A POLITICAL BENT

Wide Awake Now by David Levithan

Behind Every Good Man by Sara Goodman Confino



PARENTING STUFF

Rattled: How to Calm New Mom Anxiety with the Power of the Postpartum Brain by Nicole Amoyal Pensak, Ph.D.

Tiny Humans, Big Emotions: How to Navigate Tantrums, Meltdowns, and Defiance to Raise Emotionally Intelligent Children by Alyssa Blask Campbell, M.Ed., and Lauren Stauble, M.S.

Wanted: Toddler's Personal Assistant: How Nannying for the 1% Taught Me About the Myths of Equality, Motherhood and Upward Mobility in America by Stephanie Kiser

Yes, Your Kid: What Parents Need to Know About Today's Teens and Sex by Debby Herbenick

Write Yourself In by Eric Tipler

The Unexpected: Navigating Pregnancy During and After Complications by Emily Oster

Underestimated: The Wisdom and Power of Teenage Girls by Chelsey Goodan

The Anxious Generation by Jonathan Haidt

The Danish Secret to Happy Kids by Helen Russell

The 5 Principles of Parenting by Aliza Pressman

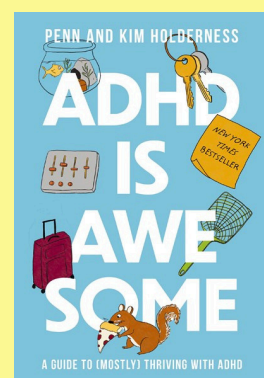
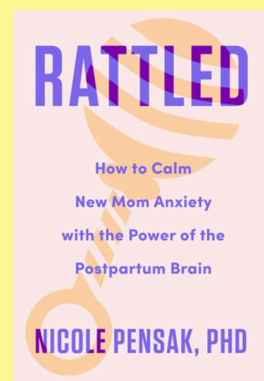
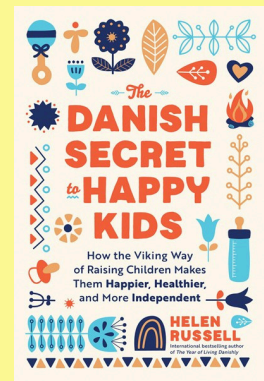
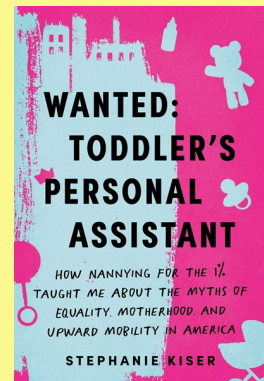
ADHD & AUTISM

ADHD is Awesome by Penn and Kim Holderness

I'll Just Be Five More Minutes (And Other Tales from my ADHD Brain) by Emily Farris

But Everyone Feels This Way by Paige Layle

This Could Be Us by Kennedy Ryan



SELF-IMPROVEMENT

New Happy: Getting Happiness Right in a World That's Got it Wrong by Stephanie Harrison

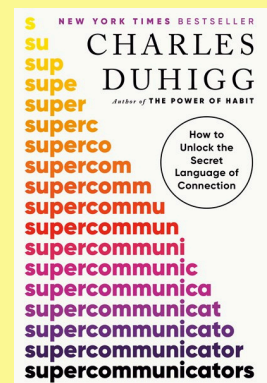
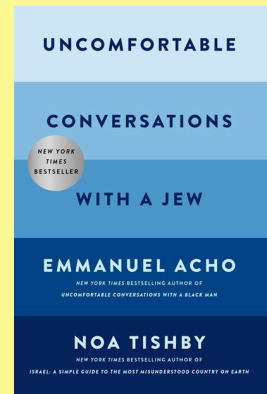
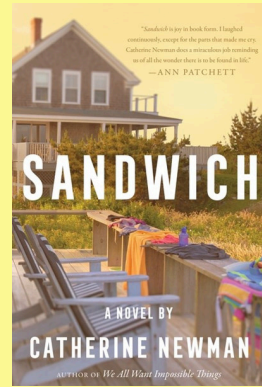
Magic Pill by Johann Hari

Supercommunicators by Charles Duhigg

Uncomfortable Conversations with a Jew by Noa Tishby and Emmanuel Acho

All in Her Head by Elizabeth Comen

The Astrology Advantage by Ophira and Tali Edut



BOOKS THAT MAKE YOU LAUGH

Welcome Home, Caroline Kline by Courtney Preiss

I've Tried Being Nice by Ann Leary

Summer Romance by Annabel Monaghan

Sandwich by Catherine Newman

A Product of Genetics (and Day Drinking): A Never-Coming-of-Age Story by Jess H. Gutierrez

Funny Story by Emily Henry



BOOKS THAT MAKE YOU TREMBLE



House of Glass by Sarah Pekkanen

Darling Girls by Sally Hepworth

The Stranger at the Wedding by A. E. Gauntlett

The Next Mrs. Parrish by Liv Constantine

Like Mother, Like Daughter by Kimberly McCreight

One of Us Knows by Alyssa Cole

One Big Happy Family by Jamie Day

One Perfect Couple by Ruth Ware

The Night We Lost Him by Laura Dave

She's Not Sorry by Mary Kubica

Madwoman by Chelsea Bieker

The Vacation Rental by Katie Sise

Till Death Do Us Part by Laurie Elizabeth Flynn

Since She's Been Gone by Sagit Schwartz

The Last Time She Saw Him by Kate White

The Last Mrs. Parrish by Liv Constantine

A Lie for a Lie by Jane Buckingham

Eruption by Michael Crichton and James Patterson

The Last Thing She Saw by Nina Laurin

Sleeping Giants by Rene Denfeld

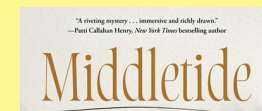
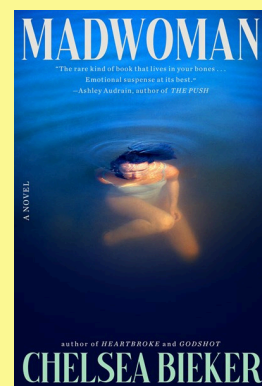
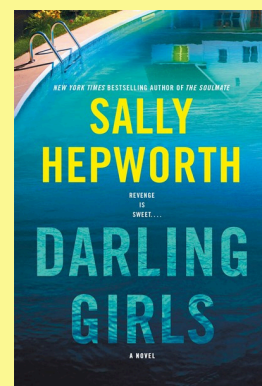
Anna Bright is Hiding Something by Susie Orman Schnall

Middletide by Sarah Crouch

On Her Own by Lihi Lapid

And So I Roar by Abi Daré

I Need You to Read This by Jessa Maxwell



CELEBRITIES

Joyful Recollections of Trauma by Paul Scheer

A Kid from Marlboro Road by Ed Burns

The Friday Afternoon Club by Griffin Dunne

Time to Thank by Steve Guttenberg

I Curse You With Joy by Tiffany Haddish

Summer on Highland Beach by Sunny Hostin

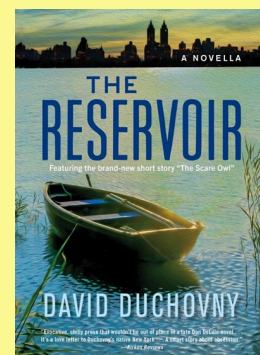
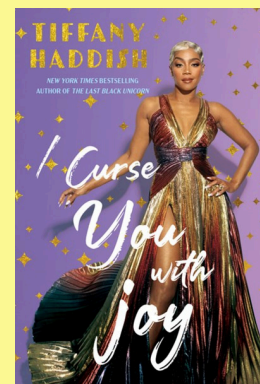
Watch Where They Hide by Tamron Hall

Mostly What God Does by Savannah Guthrie

Music and Mind: Harnessing the Arts for Health and Wellness by Renée Fleming

Closer Together by Sophie Gregoire Trudeau

The Reservoir by David Duchovny



MIDDLE GRADE NOVELS

The Islanders: Shipwrecked by Mary Alice Monroe with Angela May

OceanX Adventures: Mystery at the Aquarium by Kate B. Jerome

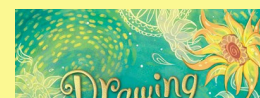
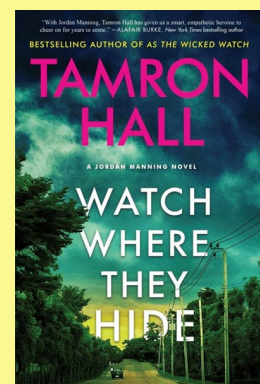
True Colors by Abby Cooper

Drawing Deena by Hena Khan

When We Flew Away by Alice Hoffman

The One and Only Family by Katherine Applegate

Best Wishes: Time After Time by Sarah Mlynowski and Christina Soontornvat



FOR THE WANNABE-AT-CAMPER

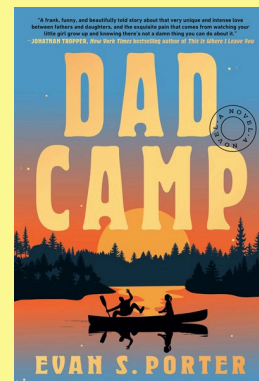


Until Next Summer by Ali Brady

The God of the Woods by Liz Moore

Dad Camp by Evan S. Porter

Bummer Camp by Ann Garvin



POWERFUL WOMEN

Maria: A Novel of Maria Von Trapp by Michelle Moran

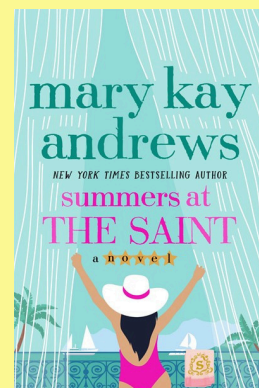
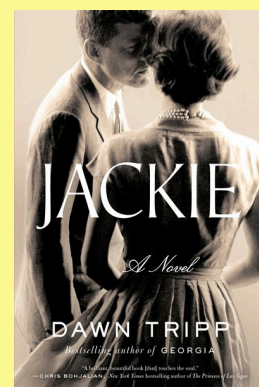
Jackie: A Novel by Dawn Tripp

Finding Margaret Fuller: A Novel by Allison Pataki

The Evolution of Annabel Craig by Lisa Grunwald

Scandalous Women: A Novel of Jackie Collins & Jacqueline Susann by Gill Paul

When Women Ran Fifth Avenue by Julie Satow



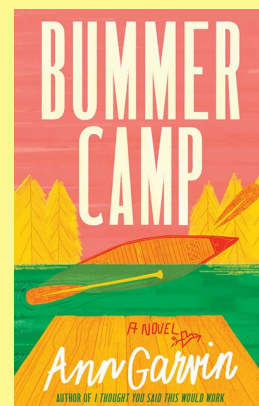
ROOM SERVICE, PLEASE

Summers at the Saint by Mary Kay Andrews

Summer Romance by Annabel Monaghan

The Night We Lost Him by Laura Dave

One Big Happy Family by Jamie Day



LOSS AND GRIEF: YOU TOO?



Living with Our Dead: On Loss and Consolation by Delphine Horvilleur

Conscious Grieving: A Transformative Approach to Healing from Loss by Claire Bidwell Smith

Grief is a Sneaky Bitch: An Uncensored Guide to Navigating Loss by Lisa Keefauver

The Goodbye Process: Stories by Mary Jones

Briefly Perfectly Human: Making an Authentic Life by Getting Real About the End by Alua Arthur

End of the Hour by Meghan Riordan Jarvis

Here After by Amy Lin

Moving on Doesn't Mean Letting Go by Gina Moffa

Nearly Departed by Gila Pfeffer

Us, After: A Memoir of Love and Suicide by Rachel Zimmerman

Did I Ever Tell You? A Memoir by Genevieve Kingston

I Promise It Won't Always Hurt Like This by Clare Mackintosh

Think You'll Be Happy: Moving Through Grief with Grit, Grace, and Gratitude by Nicole Avant

Loose of Earth by Kathleen Dorothy Blackburn

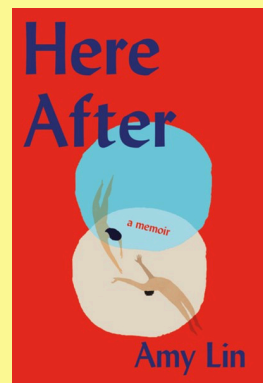
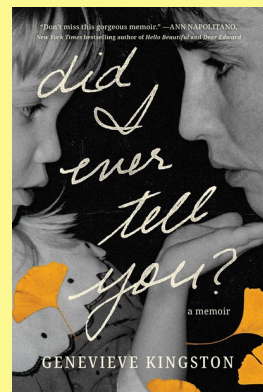
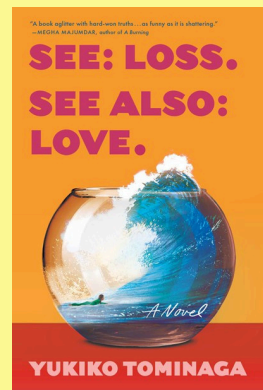
The Manicurist's Daughter by Susan Lieu

See: Loss. See Also: Love by Yukiko Tominaga

Breath Taking by Jessica Fein

Nephew by MK Asante

Grief is for People by Sloane Crosley



MAKE NEW FRIENDS BUT KEEP THE OLD...



[The Summer Pact](#) by Emily Giffin

[We Love the Nightlife](#) by Rachel Koller Croft

[The Lion Women of Tehran](#) by Marjan Kamali

[Stockholm](#) by Noa Yedlin

[Friends in Napa](#) by Sheila Yasmin Marikar

[First Love: Essays on Friendship](#) by Lilly Dancyger

[Exposure](#) by Ava Dellaira

[The Undercurrent](#) by Sarah Sawyer

[American Sycamore](#) by Charles Kenney

[Other People's Words](#) by Lissa Soep

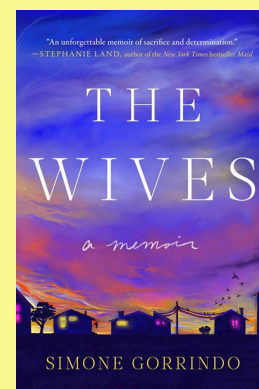
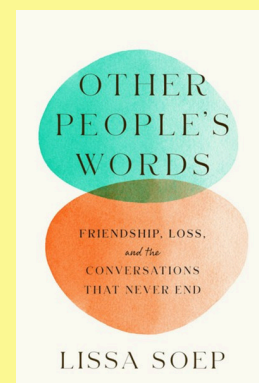
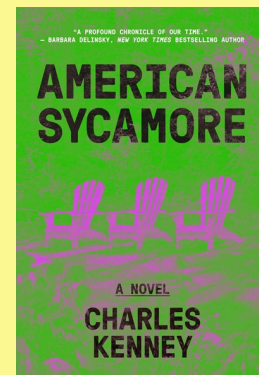
[The Wives](#) by Simone Gorrindo

[Combat Love](#) by Alisyn Camerota

[Honey](#) by Victor Lodato

[How to Age Disgracefully](#) by Clare Pooley

[The Other Side of Nothing](#) by Anastasia Zadeik



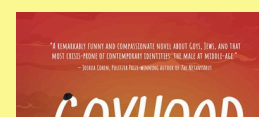
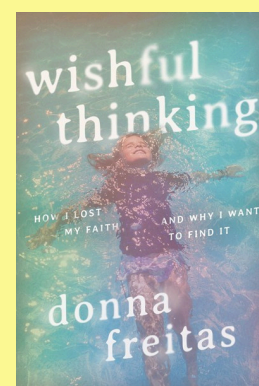
'CAUSE YOU GOTTA HAVE FAITH

[Wishful Thinking: How I Lost My Faith and Why I Want to Find It](#) by Donna Freitas

[Mostly What God Does](#) by Savannah Guthrie

[Goyhood: A Novel](#) by Reuven Fenton

[Uncomfortable Conversations with a Jew](#) by Emmanuel Acho and Noa Tishby



NOVELS ABOUT WRITERS (SO META!)



My Favorite Terrible Thing by Madeleine Henry

One-Star Romance by Laura Hankin

The Main Character by Jaclyn Goldis

Between Friends & Lovers by Shirlene Obuobi

The Sequel by Jean Hanff Korelitz

Just Some Stupid Love Story by Katelyn Doyle

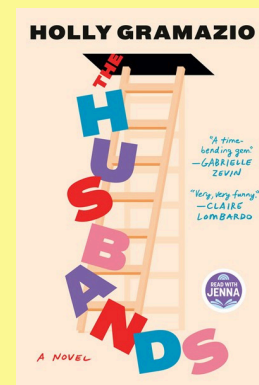
The Rom-Comers by Katherine Center

The Cemetery of Untold Stories by Julia Alvarez

By Any Other Name by Jodi Picoult

Every Time I Go On Vacation, Someone Dies by Catherine Mack

Blank by Zibby Owens



SUMMER BOOKS ON MY TBR FOR THE BEACH!

The Husbands by Holly Gramazio

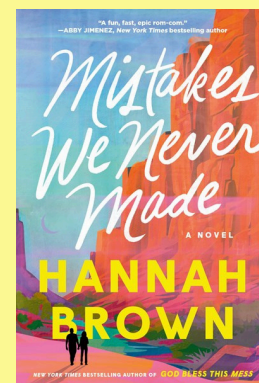
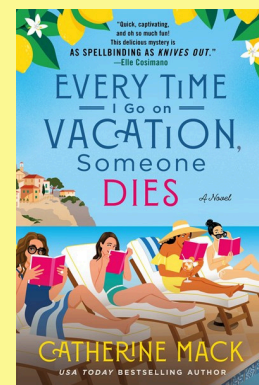
The Paradise Problem by Christina Lauren

Mistakes We Never Made by Hannah Brown

Not in Love by Ali Hazelwood

What's in a Kiss? by Lauren Kate

Serendipity by Becky Chalsen



WISH I WERE...OUT OF OFFICE



Very Bad Company by Emma Rosenblum

Boss Lady by Asha Youmans and Alli Frank

What Do You Need? by Lauren Wesley Wilson

Supercommunicators by Charles Duhigg

Red Helicopter by James Rhee

The Setback Cycle by Amy Shoenthal

Micro Skills: Small Actions, Big Impact by Adaira Landry, MD, and Resa E. Lewiss, MD

15 Lies Women Are Told at Work... and the Truth We Need to Succeed by Bonnie Hammer

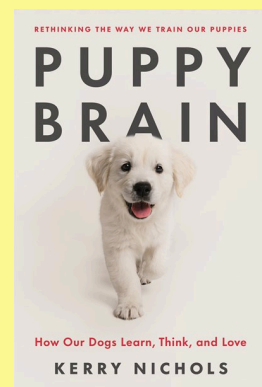
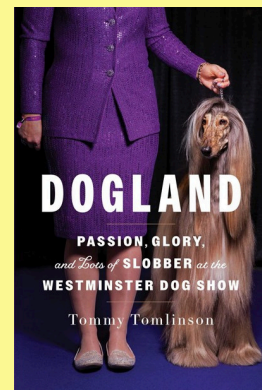
The Retention Revolution by Erica Keswin

I Hope You Fail by Pinky Cole

Ambition Monster: A Memoir by Jennifer Romolini

How to Get on Podcasts by Michelle Glogovac

One Last Word by Suzanne Park



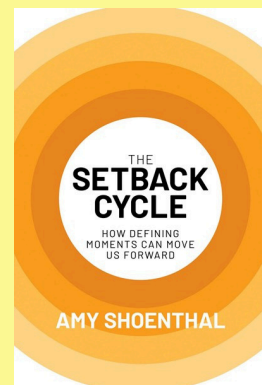
FOR THE DOG LOVER

Dogland: Passion, Glory, and Lots of Slobber at the Westminster Dog Show by Tommy Tomlinson

Pets and the City by Dr. Amy Attas

A Happier Life by Kristy Woodson Harvey

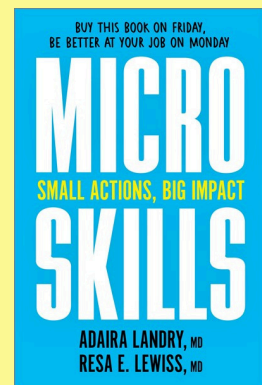
Puppy Brain by Kerry Nichols



HOT FLASHES

The Menopause Brain by Lisa Mosconi, Ph.D.

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SUMMERTIME

Summer Romance by Annabel Monaghan

Jackpot Summer by Elyssa Friedland

A Novel Summer by Jamie Brenner

Just For the Summer by Abby Jimenez

The Summer Pact by Emily Giffin

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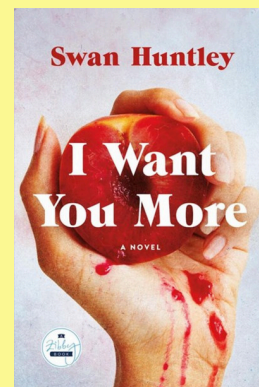
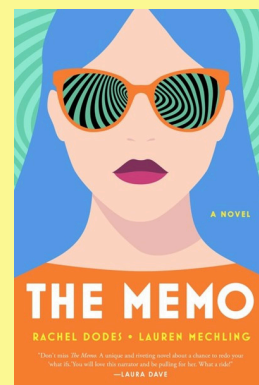
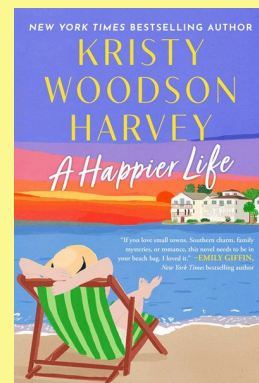
A Happier Life by Kristy Woodson Harvey

The Memo by Lauren Mechling and Rachel Dodes

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LGBTQ+

The ABCs of Queer History by Dr. Seema Yasmin

Out in the World by Amy B. Scher and Mark Jason Williams

The Bump by Sidney Karger

The Guncle Abroad by Steven Rowley

Making It by Laura Kay

I Want You More by Swan Huntley

One Day I'll Grow Up and Be A Beautiful Woman by

Abi Maxwell

Road Home by Rex Ogle



NOT-AS-NEW RELEASES, BUT SO WHAT?

The Last Love Note by Emma Grey

Louder Than Hunger by John Schu

Blank by Zibby Owens

Better by Far by Hazel Hayes

Everyone Who Can Forgive Me is Dead by Jenny Hollander

More by Molly Roden Winter

Family Family by Laurie Frankel

Love, Me by Jessica Saunders

Drunk-ish by Stefanie Wilder-Taylor

Ilium by Lea Carpenter

The Good Part by Sophie Cousens

I Wasn't Supposed to Be Here by Jonathan Conyers

Guy's Girl by Emma Noyes

Olivia Strauss is Running Out of Time by Angela Brown

The Young of Other Animals by Chris Cander

The Wake-Up Call by Beth O'Leary

Welcome Home, Stranger by Kate Christensen

Glimmer by Kimberly Shannon Murphy

Pete and Alice in Maine by Caitlin Shetterly

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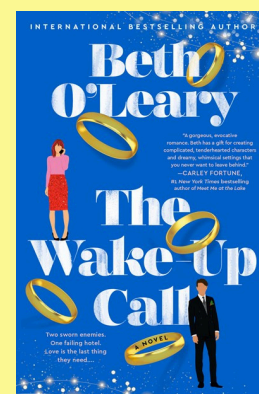
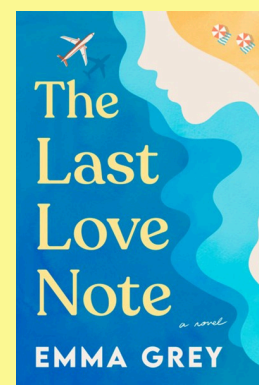
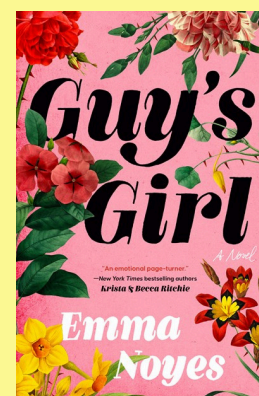
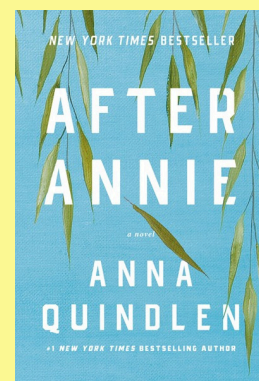
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My What If Year by Alisha Fernandez Miranda

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