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At a Glance Sam Crescent 2017-07-12 **3 Books in 1** FAT: Elsa Quinn has been bullied for being fat all her life. On the start of her new year of school, she makes a decision. She is going to lose weight. Elsa joins a gym out of town to ensure it's top secret. Noah Stewart lives for exercise. When he wants to relax, he works out, pumps weights, and runs to clear his head. After an embarrassing scene by his crazed ex, Noah decides to exercise in a gym a town over. When he meets Elsa, it seems too good to be true. He can't let her out of his life when he knows he can help her—even though she's already perfect to him. Striking up a deal, he'll help Elsa get in shape, and in return she will keep his new gym a secret. Day after day, week after week, it's hard for Noah to not see how beautiful Elsa is. He's struggling to keep his hands to himself, and when he finally claims her, he doesn't want to keep it a secret. Noah wants the world to know Elsa belongs to him. What will happen when their peers find out? Will Elsa be too scared to stay with Noah? Will he let her go when he sees what his ex does to her? **BULLY NO MORE:** Fat. Cow. Chubby. Chunky. Those were just a few names Kurt had called her growing up. He was her bully, and he didn't care. One chemistry assignment changed everything. Kim refused to give in to him, so he had no choice but to leave. Ten years later, Kim's stubbornness gives him the chance to show her that he's no longer her bully. Kim didn't like asking for help, but Kurt made an offer she couldn't refuse. She didn't want to be the girl that fell for the man who hurt her. She was stronger than that. Kurt was not that guy anymore, and no matter how much she tried to fight the boy, this was a man. Can two complete opposites find love? Can Kurt prove that he's no longer a bully, and is in fact the perfect guy for her? Will Kim take that chance? **UGLY:** In every element of her life, even before she was born, Blake Carson has failed. She isn't a boy, she isn't pretty, she doesn't fit in—she is ugly. That is what she believes. All of her faults make her ugly. Then he comes along. Logan Black has met ugly head on, and lived to tell the tale. Now he has moved to West County, to get away from both his father and the pain of the past. He never expected to meet his future, but there she sits in the cafeteria at school, accepting everyone's judgment, and worse, believing them. But Logan knows she isn't ugly. She isn't a failure, and he is about to show her another way. He is determined to be her friend—and more. Then a fight brings his father to town, and Logan runs, taking Blake with him. But they can't run forever, and when an accident leaves them no choice, they have to head home and face the consequences of what they did. Can their love survive the real ugly in the world?

Dark Possession Christine Feehan 2007-08-28 #1 New York Times bestselling author Christine Feehan returns to her uniquely sensual Carpathian world in a novel about the nature of true love and the unnatural forces that could destroy it... Manolito De La Cruz knew he was dangerously close to turning into a vampire. The last thing he expected after being called back to his Carpathian homeland by Prince Mikhail was to catch the scent of his destined lifemate in MaryAnn Delaney. MaryAnn is human, but she knows all too well the overwhelmingly aggressive instincts of Carpathian males. And they're not exactly the kind of men she'd prefer to be bound to for life. A dedicated counselor for battered women, MaryAnn has a fulfilling life with no room for someone like Manolito, born and bred in the Carpathian mountains, a law unto himself. But when MaryAnn agrees to go to South America to offer guidance to a brutalized young woman, she has no idea of the trap that awaits her in the sweltering thick of the jungle. She has been lured there by Manolito himself, who has seductive plans for the unaware, irresistibly human female...

The Job Janet Evanovich 2014 A latest entry in the series by the author of the Stephanie Plum novels and the author of the Monk series finds Agent O'Hare reluctantly partnering with con-man Nicolas Fox to take down a big-league criminal. 500,000 first printing.

Burning Wild Christine Feehan 2009 Billionaire Jack Babbaconni, who is gifted with leopard-shifting abilities, is strongly attracted to the mysterious Emma Reynolds, and so he hires her as his son's nanny in order to keep her close and under his protection.

The Fix Up Kendall Ryan 2016-10-11 From New York Times bestseller, Kendall Ryan, comes a sexy new standalone novel. My tempting and very alpha friend Sterling Quinn is someone I consider off-limits. It's not just that we're friends, he's also cocky, confident, and British, which means he's a walking aphrodisiac. But lately he's been giving me the look. You know the one. When he thinks I'm not paying attention, and his gaze lingers for too long. When we start working together, that's when the sexual tension between us gets so thick, I want to hack through it with a machete. I want to make all these deep feelings I've harbored for him disappear, because there's no way this can end well. The lines between business and pleasure become irrevocably blurred, and I'm stuck between a rock and Sterling's very, very hard place. Rather than keep a level head about our growing attraction, Sterling wants to go all in, showing me just how explosive we can be together. But I've been around long enough to know that this British bad boy is more than my heart can handle. I'm not about to be cast aside like yesterday's underwear when he's done having fun. Sterling's never been told no, and he's not about to put his ego aside and play by my rules. But I never thought he'd fight so dirty.

Gray Lou Cadle 2016-01-24 A dense black cloud boiled up in the southeastern sky. It rose high and fast, like a time-lapse movie of the birth of a thunderhead. But it was no rain cloud. Wholly black, it reached up and up until it loomed over her, blocking out the sun. Somehow, she knew, it was Death coming for her. Pre-med student Coral is on vacation in Idaho when something terrible happens. The black cloud is followed by a wildfire and searing heat that lasts for days. She survives deep in a cave but emerges days later to find the world transformed, with blackened trees, an ash-filled sky, and no living creatures stirring—except for her. So begins her desperate journey: to find water, and food, and other survivors...and the answer to the mystery of what happened. **Gray I** is the first novel in a series.

Ulysses JAMES JOYCE 2021-01-01 ULYSSES James Joyce's novel Ulysses is said to be one of the most important works in Modernist literature. It details Leopold Bloom's passage through Dublin on an ordinary day: June 16, 1904. Causing controversy, obscenity trials and heated debates, Ulysses is a pioneering work that brims with puns, parodies, allusions, stream-of-consciousness writing and clever structuring. Modern Library ranked it as number one on its list of the twentieth century's 100 greatest English-language novels and Martin Amis called it one of the greatest novels ever written. ULYSSES Ulysses is a modernist novel by Irish writer James Joyce. It is considered to be one of the most important works of modernist literature, and has been called "a demonstration and summation of the entire movement". Ulysses chronicles the peripatetic appointments and encounters of Leopold Bloom in Dublin in the course of an ordinary day, 16 June 1904. Ulysses is the Latinised name of Odysseus, the hero of Homer's epic poem Odyssey, and the novel establishes a series of parallels between its characters and events and those of the poem (the correspondence of Leopold Bloom to Odysseus, Molly Bloom to Penelope, and Stephen Dedalus to Telemachus). Joyce divided Ulysses into 18 chapters or "episodes". At first glance much of the book may appear unstructured and chaotic; Joyce once said that he had "put in so many enigmas and puzzles that it will keep the professors busy for centuries arguing over what I meant", which would earn the novel "immortality". James Joyce (1882-1941) was an Irish novelist and poet, considered to be one of the most influential writers in the modernist avant-garde of the early 20th century. Joyce is best known for Ulysses, the short-story collection

Dubliners, and the novels A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man and Finnegans Wake. ULYSSES As the day begins, Stephen Dedalus is displeased with his friend and remains aloof. A little later, he teaches history at Garrett Deasy's boys' school. ULYSSES Leopold Bloom begins his day by preparing breakfast for his wife, Molly Bloom. He serves it to her in bed along with the mail. ULYSSES As their day unfolds, Joyce paints for us a picture of not only what's happening outside but also what's happening inside their minds. ULYSSES Drawing on the characters, motifs and symbols of Homer's Odyssey, James Joyce's Ulysses is a remarkable modernist novel. It has lived through various criticisms and controversies and has undergone several theatre, film and television adaptations. It continues to remain a literary masterpiece. ULYSSES **Allegiance of Honor** Nalini Singh 2016-06-14 The "unparalleled romantic adventure"* of Nalini Singh's New York Times bestselling series continues as a new dawn begins for the Psy-Changeling world... A staggering transformation has put the Psy, humans, and changelings at a crossroads. The Trinity Accord promises a new era of cooperation between disparate races and groups. It is a beacon of hope held together by many hands: old enemies, new allies, wary loners. But a century of distrust and suspicion can't be so easily forgotten, and it threatens to shatter Trinity from within at any moment. As rival members vie for dominance, chaos and evil gather in the shadows and a kidnapped woman's cry for help washes up in San Francisco, while the Consortium turns its murderous gaze toward a child who is the embodiment of change, of love, of piercing hope: a child who is both Psy...and changeling. To find the lost and protect the vulnerable—and to save Trinity—no one can stand alone. This is a time of loyalty across divisions, of bonds woven into the heart and the soul, of heroes known and unknown standing back to back and holding the line. But is an allegiance of honor even possible with traitors lurking in their midst? *Publishers Weekly on Shards of Hope

Don't Mess It Up Les Trachtman 2018-05-01 In Don't Mess It Up: How Founders and Their Successors Can Avoid the Clichés That Inhibit Growth, author and six-time second CEO Les Trachtman offers his expertise on the most effective ways to successfully hand off your company to a worthy successor. He also has advice for those who are inheriting a business and want to take it to the next level, as well as for boards who are dealing with these leadership transitions. In his direct, no-nonsense approach, Les shows readers how seemingly harmless business clichés such as "get it right" and "be careful" can have a detrimental effect on a company's future by conveying that such imperative ingredients such as risk and innovation are things to now be avoided. Readers will learn how to: • Understand the metamorphosis required to transition from great founder to great CEO • Know when, and if, it's time to replace yourself • Pick the right successor • Prepare yourself and your company for the fragile transition • Create a successful CEO transition • Separate yourself from the company There is likely no one more experienced in founder transitions than Les Trachtman. He has been an innovative and respected successor at six different companies; let his hard-won advice guide you through your transition and toward success.

Hunt the Fat White Vampire Andrew Fox 2021-06-12 Portly vampire Jules Duchon is in trouble. The High Krewe of Vlad Tepes seeks revenge for Jules's theft of their members' body parts to restore his wife. What can a 400-pound vampire do against a hired assassin who control matter?

In The Miso Soup Ryu Murakami 2009-08-03 It's just before New Year, and Frank, an overweight American tourist, has hired Kenji to take him on a guided tour of Tokyo's nightlife. But Frank's behaviour is so odd that Kenji begins to entertain a horrible suspicion: his client may in fact have murderous desires. Although Kenji is far from innocent himself, he unwillingly descends with Frank into an inferno of evil, from which only his sixteen-year-old girlfriend, Jun, can possibly save him.

You Suck Christopher Moore 2009-10-13 Being undead sucks. Literally. Just ask C. Thomas Flood. Waking up after a fantastic night unlike anything he's ever experienced, he discovers that his girlfriend, Jody, is a vampire. And surprise! Now he's one, too. For some couples, the whole biting-and-blood thing would have been a deal breaker. But Tommy and Jody are in love, and they vow to work through their issues. But word has it that the vampire who initially nibbled on Jody wasn't supposed to be recruiting. Even worse, Tommy's erstwhile turkey-bowling pals are out to get him, at the urging of a blue-dyed Las Vegas call girl named (duh) Blue. And that really sucks.

Heart Search Robin D. Owens 2011-08-02 Noble Laev T'Hawthorne must rebuild his life after marrying a woman he believed was his HeartMate, only to fall victim to her greed. Abandoned at 15, Camellia Darjeeling values her independence above all—even as her father and uncle emotionally scourge her and extort money. For Camellia, trusting men, even her HeartMate, is too risky. When Laev and Camellia meet, they refuse to acknowledge that they are true HeartMates. But their destiny cannot be avoided. . . .

Savage Nature Christine Feehan 2011 After finding a dead body in the Louisiana bayou near her home, Saria Boudreaux is concerned that her shape-shifting leopard brothers will be blamed and agrees to help investigator Drake Donovan hunt for the killer.

Fat White Vampire Blues Andrew Fox 2003-07-01 He's undead, overweight, and can't get a date Vampire, nosferatu, creature of the night—whatever you call him—Jules Duchon has lived (so to speak) in New Orleans far longer than there have been drunk coeds on Bourbon Street. Weighing in at a whopping four hundred and fifty pounds, swelled up on the sweet, rich blood of people who consume the fattiest diet in the world, Jules is thankful he can't see his reflection in a mirror. When he turns into a bat, he can't get his big ol' butt off the ground. What's worse, after more than a century of being undead, he's watched his neighborhood truly go to hell—and now, a new vampire is looking to drive him out altogether. See, Jules had always been an equal opportunity kind of vampire. And while he would admit that the blood of a black woman is sweeter than the blood of a white man, Jules never drank more than his fair share of either. Enter Malice X . Young, cocky, and black, Malice warns Jules that his days of feasting on sisters and brothers are over. He tells Jules he'd better confine himself to white victims—or else face the consequences. And then, just to prove he isn't kidding, Malice burns Jules's house to the ground. With the help of Maureen, the morbidly obese, stripper-vampire who made him, and Doodlebug, an undead cross-dresser who (literally) flies in from the coast—Jules must find a way to contend with the hurdles that life throws at him . . . without getting a stake through the heart. It's enough to give a man the blues.

The Good Humor Man Andrew Fox 2009-04-15 In this satiric romp inspired by Ray Bradbury's Fahrenheit 451, set in 2041, government-sanctioned vigilantes—the Good Humor Men—ruthlessly patrol the streets, immolating all fattening food products as illegal contraband. A pound of real chocolate is worth more on the black market than a kilo of cocaine. Evil "nutraceutical" company MannaSantos controls the food market with genetically modified products, such as "Leanie Lean" meats. But the craze for svelte healthfulness has reached a critical turning point, as a mysterious wasting plague threatens to starve all of humanity. A lone ex-plastic surgeon and founding Good Humor Man, whose father performed a secret liposuction surgery on Elvis Presley, holds the key to humanity's future. In a mad dash to retrieve his family heirloom—the mortal remains of the King's belly fat—Dr. Louis Shmalzberg becomes entangled with a civil servant of questionable motives, an acquisitive assassin from a wealthy Caliphate, a power-mad preacher evangelizing anorexia, a beautiful young woman addicted to liposuction, and a homicidal clone from a MannaSantos experiment gone terribly wrong. Can Elvis save the world sixty-four years after his death?

The Chase Janet Evanovich 2014 A latest collaboration by the best-selling author of the Stephanie Plum series and the best-selling author of the Monk series finds FBI agent Kate O'Hare once again forced to covertly team up with brilliant con man Nicholas Fox to take down a big-league criminal.

The Plague Year Lawrence Wright 2021 Beginning with the absolutely critical first moments of the outbreak in China, and ending with an epilogue on the vaccine rollout and the unprecedented events between the election of Joseph Biden and his inauguration, Lawrence Wright's *The Plague Year* surges forward with essential information--and fascinating historical parallels--examining the medical, economic, political, and social ramifications of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Open graves, open minds Sam George 2015-11-01 This collection of interconnected essays relates the Undead in literature, art and other media to questions concerning gender, race, genre, technology, consumption and social change. A coherent narrative follows Enlightenment studies of the vampire's origins in folklore and folk panics, the sources of vampire fiction, through Romantic incarnations in Byron and Polidori to Le Fanu's *Carmilla*. Further essays discuss the Undead in the context of *Dracula*, fin-de-siècle decadence, Nazi Germany and early cinematic treatments. The rise of the sympathetic vampire is charted from Coppola's film, Bram Stoker's *Dracula*, to *Buffy the Vampire Slayer* and *Twilight*. More recent manifestations in novels, TV, Goth subculture, young adult fiction and cinema are dealt with in discussions of *True Blood*, *The Vampire Diaries* and much more. Featuring distinguished contributors, including a prominent novelist, and aimed at interdisciplinary scholars or postgraduate students, it will also appeal to aficionados of creative writing and Undead enthusiasts.

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The Last Days of Magic Mark Tompkins 2016-03-01 "Fantastic . . . an honest, beautifully detailed book and an entertaining read." —DIANA GABALDON, THE WASHINGTON POST "A fantastical treat." —PEOPLE "Simultaneously sweeping and intricate . . . Tompkins's amazing debut novel conjures an epic battle for the soul of Ireland. Filled with papal machination and royal intrigue, magic and mayhem, faeries, Vikings, legates, kings and queens, angels and goddesses, this is one wild and breathless ride." —KAREN JOY FOWLER "Plundering the treasure chest of human myths, from mysterious biblical giants to ferocious Celtic faeries, Tompkins has created a fantasy adventure with the shifting perspectives of dreamscape. A novel rich and strange." —GERALDINE BROOKS What became of magic in the world? Who needed to do away with it, and for what reasons? Drawing on myth, legend, fairy tales, and Biblical mysteries, *The Last Days of Magic* brilliantly imagines answers to these questions, sweeping us back to a world where humans and magical beings co-exist as they had for centuries. Aisling, a goddess in human form, was born to rule both domains and—with her twin, Anya—unite the Celts with the powerful faeries of the Middle Kingdom. But within medieval Ireland interests are divided, and far from its shores greater forces are mustering. Both England and Rome have a stake in driving magic from the Emerald Isle. Jordan, the Vatican commander tasked with vanquishing the remnants of otherworldly creatures from a disenchanting Europe, has built a career on such plots. But increasingly he finds himself torn between duty and his desire to understand the magic that has been forbidden. As kings prepare, exorcists gather, and divisions widen between the warring clans of Ireland, Aisling and Jordan must come to terms with powers given and withheld, while a world that can still foster magic hangs in the balance. Loyalties are tested, betrayals sown, and the coming war will have repercussions that ripple centuries later, in today's world—and in particular for a young graduate student named Sara Hill. *The Last Days of Magic* introduces us to unforgettable characters who grapple with quests for power, human frailty, and the longing for knowledge that has been made taboo. Mark Tompkins has crafted a remarkable tale—a feat of world-building that poses astonishing and resonant answers to epic questions.

Wicked Nights Nina Bangs 2005-04-05 From New York Times bestselling author Nina Bangs comes the first book in her sizzling *Castle of Dark Dreams* series. Welcome to the *Castle of Dark Dreams*, the yummiest attraction in an adult theme park where women take erotic role-playing to new heights with only the most dangerously tempting men. Okay, so they're not quite human, but that's a secret. Tonight, Eric, the castle's resident vampire, will prove that he's everything bad should be. Talk-show host Donna Nolan—on the lookout for a weird and wacky story—finds it when she braves the *Castle of Dark Dreams* and meets Eric. With the coldest blue eyes and the hottest mouth she's ever seen, he's a primitive call to the wild in every woman. Love between a talk-show host and a vampire shouldn't be possible. But then, strange things happen in the *Castle of Dark Dreams*...

Harmony's Way Lora Leigh 2006-12-05 From the New York Times bestselling author of *Rule Breaker*, sink your fangs into Lora Leigh's series about genetically-altered humans with feline DNA. When the Breeds desire the passions of the flesh, they can't help but get frisky... Harmony Lancaster is of the Lion breed, created to be a huntress with a thirst to kill. But the way she seeks justice outside of the law makes her a liability to her own kind. Yet she also possesses information that they need on the existence of the First Leo—who holds the precious secrets of desire. To save her life, Harmony is paired with Sheriff Lance Jacobs, who tries to tame the killer within her, while protecting the gentle woman he longs to possess. But a dangerous cult leader, bent on destroying the Breeds, could change the way Lance looks at Harmony forever...

Stomach Flattening Doug Charles Setter 2006-11-01 Setter gives specific examples of how people can change their mindsets to get the workout results they desire.

Bride of the Fat White Vampire Andrew Fox 2004-08-03 After morphing into 187 very large white rats in the name of self-preservation, Jules Duchon is back to his portly self, a member of that secret class of New Orleans citizens known as the undead. Though he would like nothing better than to spend his nights raising hell and biting flesh in his beloved French Quarter, duty calls when an exclusive club of blue blood vampires demands that the 450-pound cabbie find out who is attacking its young and beautiful members. Adding insult to injury, he has to enlist the help of a former foe: a black vampire named Preston. What's a vampire to do? Without the love of a woman to ease his pain, Jules isn't convinced that his undead life is worth living. He doesn't desire Doodlebug (she may be a woman now but Jules knew her back when she was just a boy) any more than he longs for Daphne, a rat catcher who nourishes a crush the size of Jules. No, only Maureen will do. Once a beautiful stripper with nothing but curve after curve to her bodacious body, now she is mere dust in a jar. But Jules will move heaven and earth to get her back . . . even if it means pulling her back from the dead.

Fat White Vampire Otaku Andrew Fox 2021-04-12 The long awaited third installment in the *Fat White Vampire* series of humorous horror novels. Jules Duchon and his vampiric family suffer through the ravages of Hurricane Antonia and struggle to survive in a New Orleans which is almost entirely depopulated. Where will they get their blood? Salvation comes from the most unlikely source possible - a trio of Japanese superheroes called *Bonsai Master*, *Anime Girl*, and *Cutie-Scary Man*. Yet that salvation comes with a terrifying but laugh-inducing price? the blood which the three superheroes donate has unpredictable effects on Jules and his family. Chaos ensues as Jules is transformed into a seven-foot-tall white rabbit, his wife Maureen puts on three hundred pounds, and his mother Edna becomes a vicious human/vampire vacuum cleaner!

Meddling Kids Edgar Cantero 2017-07-11 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER "Freaky pleasure...it scratches a nostalgic itch for those who grew up on Saturday morning Scooby-Doo cartoons and sugar-bombed breakfast cereal" --USA Today "Deliriously wild, funny and imaginative. Cantero is an original voice." --Charles Yu, author of *How to Live in a Science Fictional Universe* With raucous humor and brilliantly orchestrated mayhem, *Meddling Kids* subverts teen detective archetypes like the *Hardy Boys*, the *Famous Five*, and *Scooby-Doo*, and delivers an exuberant and wickedly entertaining celebration of horror, love, friendship, and many-tentacled, interdimensional demon spawn. SUMMER 1977. The Blyton Summer Detective Club (of Blyton Hills, a small mining town in Oregon's Zoinx River Valley) solved their final mystery and unmasked the elusive Sleepy Lake monster—another low-life fortune hunter trying to get his dirty hands on the legendary riches hidden in Deboën Mansion. And he would have gotten away with it too, if it weren't for those meddling kids. 1990. The former detectives have grown up and apart, each haunted by disturbing memories of their final night in the old haunted house. There are too many strange, half-remembered encounters and events that cannot be dismissed or explained away by a guy in a mask. And Andy, the once intrepid tomboy now wanted in two states, is tired of running from her demons. She needs answers. To find them she will need Kerri, the one-time kid genius and budding biologist, now drinking

her ghosts away in New York with Tim, an excitable Weimaraner descended from the original canine member of the club. They will also have to get Nate, the horror nerd currently residing in an asylum in Arkham, Massachusetts. Luckily Nate has not lost contact with Peter, the handsome jock turned movie star who was once their team leader . . . which is remarkable, considering Peter has been dead for years. The time has come to get the team back together, face their fears, and find out what actually happened all those years ago at Sleepy Lake. It's their only chance to end the nightmares and, perhaps, save the world. A nostalgic and subversive trip rife with sly nods to H. P. Lovecraft and pop culture, *Edgar Cantero's Meddling Kids* is a strikingly original and dazzling reminder of the fun and adventure we can discover at the heart of our favorite stories, no matter how old we get.

Budayeen Nights George Alec Effinger 2014-04-29 A "brilliant collection" of short stories set in a "marvelously realized, imaginary Muslim city" from the Hugo and Nebula Award-winning author (Publishers Weekly, starred review). Long identified as a science fiction writer, except in his own eyes, George Alec Effinger had some of his biggest critical and commercial success with a series even he recognized and characterized as SF. Set in the marvelously realized, imaginary Muslim city of Budayeen, the three novels, *When Gravity Fails*, *A Fire in the Sun* and *The Exile Kiss* garnered rave reviews, award nominations and a wide readership. In addition, Effinger came to be recognized as one of the foundational writers of cyberpunk. Although the novels are perhaps how Budayeen and their hero, Marid Audran, are best known, there are a handful of shorter pieces that add to the vividly drawn and deeply authentic picture of an imagined world and seven short stories, the first part of an uncompleted novel and a story fragment add to the mental images of this exotic and yet somehow completely familiar city and world that Effinger created. This book was originally published by Golden Gryphon Press and comes with a Forword and story notes by Effinger's widow, Barbara Hambly. The lead story in this collection, "Schrodinger's Kitten," won the Hugo, Nebula and Seiun Awards.

Dark Predator Christine Feehan 2012 Hunter of the undead and master executioner Zacarias De La Cruz returns to Peru where he finds betrayal, vengeance and the consequences of his family's bloody legacy in this new novel from the New York Times best-selling author of *Dark Peril*. Reprint. 500,000 first printing.

No Dominion Charlie Huston 2006-12-26 Joe Pitt's life sucks. He hasn't had a case or a job in God knows how long and his stashes are running on empty. What stashes? The only ones that count to a guy like Joe: blood and money. The money he uses to buy blood; the blood he drinks. Hey, buddy, it's that or your neck—you want to choose? The only way to lay his hands on both is to take a gig with the local Vampyre Clan. See, something new is on the streets, a new high, a high so strong it can send a Vampyre spazzing through Joe's local watering hole. Till Joe sends him through a plate-glass window, that is. So it's time for Joe to gut up and swallow that pride and follow the leads wherever they go. It won't be long before he's slapping stoolies, getting sapped, and being taken for a ride above 110th Street. Someone's pulling Joe's strings, and now he's riding the A train, looking to find who it is. He's gonna cut them when he finds them—the strings and the hands that hold them.

Fierce Invalids Home From Hot Climates Tom Robbins 2003-06-17 "As clever and witty a novel as anyone has written in a long time . . . Robbins takes readers on a wild, delightful ride. . . . A delight from beginning to end."—Buffalo News Switters is a contradiction for all seasons: an anarchist who works for the government; a pacifist who carries a gun; a vegetarian who sops up ham gravy; a cyberwhiz who hates computers; a man who, though obsessed with the preservation of innocence, is aching to deflower his high-school-age stepsister (only to become equally enamored of a nun ten years his senior). Yet there is nothing remotely wishy-washy about Switters. He doesn't merely pack a pistol. He is a pistol. And as we dog Switters's strangely elevated heels across four continents, in and out of love and danger, discovering in the process the "true" Third Secret of Fatima, we experience Tom Robbins—that fearless storyteller, spiritual renegade, and verbal break dancer—at the top of his game. On one level this is a fast-paced CIA adventure story with comic overtones; on another it's a serious novel of ideas that brings the Big Picture into unexpected focus; but perhaps more than anything else, *Fierce Invalids* is a sexy celebration of language and life. Praise for *Fierce Invalids Home From Hot Climates* "Superb."—New York Post "Dangerous? Wicked? Forbidden? You bet. . . . Pour yourself a bowl of chips and dig in."—Daily News, New York "Robbins is a great writer . . . and definitely a provocative rascal."—The Tennessean "Whoever said truth is stranger than fiction never read a Tom Robbins novel. . . . Clever, creative, and witty, Robbins tosses off impassioned observations like handfuls of flower petals."—San Diego Union-Tribune

Kids Vs. Mazes Jupiter Kids 2015-09-16 In the battle between mazes and kids, who will win? Your child might, if he/she has the patience and right strategy to get out of all these mazes. Answering mazes is a fun learning experience that will help improve your child's ability to think of strategies quite fast. Start your child's training with one book of mazes at a time.

Life After Life Kate Atkinson 2013-04-02 What if you could live again and again, until you got it right? On a cold and snowy night in 1910, Ursula Todd is born to an English banker and his wife. She dies before she can draw her first breath. On that same cold and snowy night, Ursula Todd is born, lets out a lusty wail, and embarks upon a life that will be, to say the least, unusual. For as she grows, she also dies, repeatedly, in a variety of ways, while the young century marches on towards its second cataclysmic world war. Does Ursula's apparently infinite number of lives give her the power to save the world from its inevitable destiny? And if she can -- will she? Darkly comic, startlingly poignant, and utterly original -- this is Kate Atkinson at her absolute best.

If I Didn't Care Kait Nolan 2016-10-27 He has one mission Since they were children, career cop Judd Hamilton has built his life around taking care of his best friend, Autumn Buchanan. While he might once have dreamed of a different future for them, everything changed the day her father tried to kill them both. Determined to keep her safe, Judd put his feelings aside and turned his focus to protecting her, always. She leads a double life Nobody in their small town would ever dream that Autumn, Wishful's friendly librarian, is really successful erotic romantic suspense author, Rumor Fairchild. No one knows that the swoon-worthy hero of her series is based on her best friend, Judd. He's been fulfilling her rescue fantasies for years, and now she's ready to catapult them out of the friend zone to make her real life romance come true. Their nightmare returns But when the past comes full circle and Autumn's father returns to Wishful, even the power of Judd's badge isn't enough to keep her safe from the madman. If he wants the chance at a future with the one girl he's always loved, Judd may have to toss everything he's worked for aside to do the one job that matters.

They Hunger Scott Nicholson 2007 When a group of white-water rafters unwittingly awakens an ancient evil in the rugged wilderness of the Appalachian Mountains, they are hunted by immortal creatures who are desperate to quench their thirst for blood. Original.

The Nymphs of Rocky Flats Mario Acevedo 2009-10-13 The first and only vampire book to be declassified by the federal government . . . Felix Gomez went to Iraq a soldier. He came back a vampire. Now he finds himself pulled into a web of intrigue when an old friend prompts him to investigate an outbreak of nymphomania at the secret government facilities in Rocky Flats. He'll find out the cause of all these horny women or die trying! But first he must contend with shadowy government agents, Eastern European vampire hunters, and women who just want his body . . . Skewering sexual myths, conspiracy fables, and government bureaucracy, *The Nymphs of Rocky Flats* reveals the bizarre world of the undead with a humorous slant and a fresh twist.

Fat White Vampire Blues Andrew Fox 2003 Jules Duchon, a taxi-driving vampire, struggles with his weight problem, his vampire inadequacies, and the mean vampire, Malice X, who burns his house to the ground.

Fat Vampire Adam Rex 2011-07-26 Doug Lee is undead quite by accident—attacked by a desperate vampire, he finds himself cursed with being fat and fifteen forever. When he has no luck finding some goth chick with a vampire fetish, he resorts to sucking the blood of cows under cover of the night. But it's just not the same. Then he meets the new Indian exchange student and falls for her—hard. Yeah, he wants to bite her, but he also wants to prove himself to her. But like the laws of life, love, and high school, the laws of vampire existence are complicated—it's not as easy as studying *Dracula*. Especially when the star of *Vampire Hunters* is hot on your trail in an attempt to boost ratings. . . . Searing, hilarious, and always unexpected, *Fat Vampire* is a satirical tour de force from one of the most original writers of fiction today.

Hazardous Imaginings Andrew Fox 2020-10-12 Science fiction is NOT a safe space! Two short novels and three

stories by the author of *Fat White Vampire Blues* push the boundaries of taboo in science fiction. An English archeologist who yearns for the love of a young Jewish refugee sets out to convince a majority of the world's population that the Holocaust never happened - hoping to not only wipe it from the annals of history, but also from reality. The Martian colony Bradbury sends an investigator to pursue a gay Uyghur murderer in a future Australian city where members of each ethnic and grievance group are invisible to all those who don't belong to their tribe. A far-future academic treatise describes a rediscovered Fusionist liturgical text that combines the writings of radical feminist Joanna Russ and female slavery fantasist John Norman. An aggressively therapeutic State of Florida lovingly wraps its bureaucratic tentacles around those it deems unenlightened. A born-again Christian cafeteria worker in a small Texas college town becomes the only friend of an insectoid alien come to evacuate humanity from a doomed Earth. These stories leave no sacred cows unprodded. "Remarkable work in an incendiary time. The Truest Quill." -Barry N. Malzberg, author of *Beyond Apollo* and *Breakfast in the Ruins* "Andrew Fox writes like a combination of Kurt Vonnegut, Dave Barry and Molly Ivins..." -Lucius Shepard, author of *The Golden* and *Life During Wartime*

The Secret of Our Success Joseph Henrich 2017-10-17 How our collective intelligence has helped us to evolve and prosper Humans are a puzzling species. On the one hand, we struggle to survive on our own in the wild, often failing to overcome even basic challenges, like obtaining food, building shelters, or avoiding predators. On the other hand, human groups have produced ingenious technologies, sophisticated languages, and complex institutions that have permitted us to successfully expand into a vast range of diverse environments. What has enabled us to dominate the globe, more than any other species, while remaining virtually helpless as lone individuals? This book shows that the secret of our success lies not in our innate intelligence, but in our collective brains—on the ability of

human groups to socially interconnect and learn from one another over generations. Drawing insights from lost European explorers, clever chimpanzees, mobile hunter-gatherers, neuroscientific findings, ancient bones, and the human genome, Joseph Henrich demonstrates how our collective brains have propelled our species' genetic evolution and shaped our biology. Our early capacities for learning from others produced many cultural innovations, such as fire, cooking, water containers, plant knowledge, and projectile weapons, which in turn drove the expansion of our brains and altered our physiology, anatomy, and psychology in crucial ways. Later on, some collective brains generated and recombined powerful concepts, such as the lever, wheel, screw, and writing, while also creating the institutions that continue to alter our motivations and perceptions. Henrich shows how our genetics and biology are inextricably interwoven with cultural evolution, and how culture-gene interactions launched our species on an extraordinary evolutionary trajectory. Tracking clues from our ancient past to the present, *The Secret of Our Success* explores how the evolution of both our cultural and social natures produce a collective intelligence that explains both our species' immense success and the origins of human uniqueness.

Bloodsucking Fiends Christopher Moore 2009-12-15 Jody never asked to become a vampire. But when she wakes up under an alley Dumpster with a badly burned arm, an aching back, superhuman strength, and a distinctly Nosferatun thirst, she realizes the decision has been made for her. Making the transition from the nine-to-five grind to an eternity of nocturnal prowling is going to take some doing, however, and that's where C. Thomas Flood fits in. A would-be Kerouac from *Incontinentia*, Indiana, Tommy (to his friends) is biding his time night-clerking and frozen-turkey bowling in a San Francisco Safeway. But all that changes when a beautiful undead redhead walks through the door...and proceeds to rock Tommy's life—and afterlife—in ways he never thought possible.