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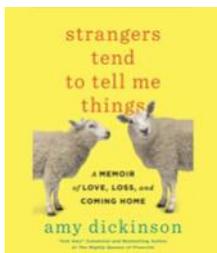


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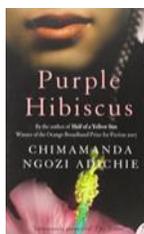


Strangers Tend to Tell Me Things by Amy Dickinson

Through a series of linked essays, this moving narrative picks up where Amy Dickinson's earlier memoir left off. Exploring central themes of romance, death, parenting, self-care, and spiritual awakening, this touching and heartfelt homage speaks to all who have faced challenges in the wake of life's twists and turns. From finding love in middle-age to her storied experience with stepparenting to overcoming disordered eating to her final moments spent with her late mother, Dickinson's trademark humorous tone delivers punch and wit that will empower, entertain, and heal.

Read by the author | Length: 9 hours

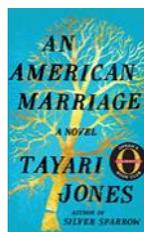
Staff Pick



Purple Hibiscus by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

In the city of Egunu, Nigeria, fifteen year-old Kambili and her older brother Jaja lead a somewhat cloistered life. Their father is a wealthy businessman, they live in a beautiful home, and attend private school. But, through Kambili's eyes, we see that their home life is anything but harmonious. Her father, a fanatically religious man has impossible expectations of his children and his wife, and if things don't go his way he becomes physically abusive. Not until Kambili and Jaja are sent away from home for the very first time to visit their loving aunt, does Kambili's world begin to blossom. But when a military coup threatens to destroy the country, the tension in her family's home escalates, and Kambili must find the strength to keep her loved ones together.

A Top Pick of 2018



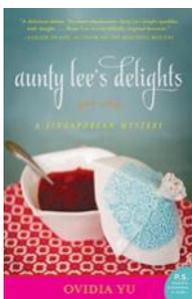
An American Marriage by Tayari Jones

Celestial and Roy, the living embodiment of the New South, are settling into the routine of their life together when Roy is sent to prison for a crime he didn't commit. An insightful look into the lives of people who are bound and separated by forces beyond their control.

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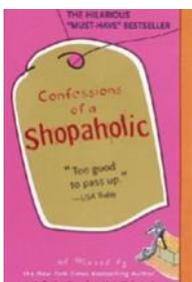
Read-a-likes for Janet Evanovich's Stephanie Plum Series

Janet Evanovich is known for her unique characters, wacky humor, extreme action and engaging storytelling. Her heroines are sassy and independent, a perfect fit for her mysteries.



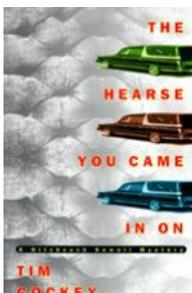
***Aunty Lee's Delights* by Ovidia Yu**

Occasional sleuth and proprietor of Singapore's best-loved home cooking restaurant, feisty widow Rosie "Aunty" Lee helps rookie Police Commissioner Raja investigate the murder of one of her wealthy patrons by using her connections and uncanny ability to track down clues.



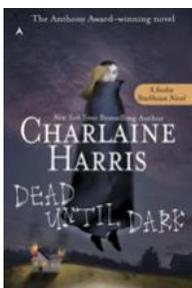
Author Sophie Kinsella

Sophie Kinsella is best known for her Shopaholic series featuring charming, scatterbrained Becky Bloomwood. Her stories of light-hearted romance and career challenges are told in the present tense from a first-person point of view, adding immediacy and intimacy to the mix. Set in contemporary cities, mainly London, Kinsella uses the urban life to set her heroine up for comic situations in both her personal and professional lives. Start with: Confessions of a Shopaholic.



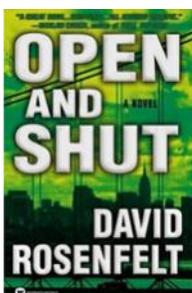
Author Tim Cockey

With its blue-collar Baltimore setting, engaging and quirky characters, outrageous situations, and conversational tone, Cockey's Hitchcock Sewell Mysteries are a good choice for fans of Janet Evanovich. They feature a charming and smart-mouthed bachelor who happens to be an undertaker.



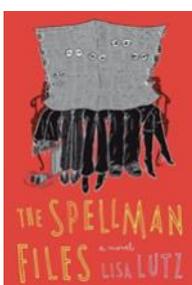
***Sookie Stackhouse* by Charlaine Harris**

Charlaine Harris writes several mystery series. The Sookie Stackhouse novels are best known, but all the series feature believable female protagonists, often living in vividly portrayed small Southern towns. These Mysteries range from cozy to paranormal, but none is truly dark or disturbing, so readers may enjoy all the series equally. Sookie Stackhouse, lead character in Harris's vampire series, inspired a popular television series.



***Open and Shut* by David Rosenfelt**

First in a series of legal thrillers featuring dog-loving attorney Andy Carpenter. These books share the snappy banter, fast-paced story lines, humor and intriguing characters of Evanovich with some romance too.



***The Spellman Files* by Lisa Lutz**

Part Nancy Drew, part Dirty Harry, Izzy walks an indistinguishable line between Spellman family member and Spellman employee. Duties include: completing assignments from the bosses, aka Mom and Dad (preferably without scrutiny); appeasing her chronically perfect lawyer brother (often under duress); setting an example for her fourteen-year-old sister, Rae (who's become addicted to "recreational surveillance"); and tracking down her uncle (who randomly disappears on benders dubbed "Lost Weekends").

