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My Best Friend's Girl Dorothy Koomson 2018-08-09 Kamryn Matika has no responsibilities - one birthday card will change that forever... Best friends Kamryn Matika and Adele Brannon though nothing could come between them - until Adele di the unthinkable and slept with Kamryn's fiancé Nate. Worse still, she got pregnant and had his child. When Kamryn discovered the truth about their betrayal she vowed never to see any of them again. Years later, Kamryn receives a letter from Adele asking her to visit her in hospital. Adele is dying and begs Kamryn to adopt her daughter Tegan. With a great job and hectic social life, the last thing Kamryn needs is a five-year-old daughter to disrupt things. Especially not one who reminds her of Nate. But with no one else to take care of Tegan and Adele fading fast, does she have any other choice? So begins a difficult journey that leads Kamryn towards forgiveness, love, responsibility and, ultimately, a better understanding of herself.

Imperfect Women Araminta Hall 2021-06-01 FROM THE AUTHOR OF OUR KIND OF CRUELTY "A stunning, dark novel about who women want to be and the reality of who they are." –Samantha Downing, author of His Lovely Wife "Promises to please those who enjoy psychological thrillers and all those who love Elena Ferrante but wish her series was just a bit (okay, a lot) more twisted." –Molly Odintz, Lit Hub When Nancy Hennessy is murdered, she leaves behind two best friends, an adoring husband and daughter, and a secret lover whose identity she took to the grave. Nancy was gorgeous, wealthy, and cherished by those who knew her—from the outside, her life was perfect. But as the investigation into her death flounders and her friends Eleanor and Mary wrestle with their grief, dark details surface that reveal how little they knew their friend, each other, and maybe even themselves. A gripping, immersive novel about impossible expectations and secrets that fester and become lethal, Imperfect Women unfolds through the perspectives of three fascinating women. Their enduring, complex friendship is the knot the reader must untangle to answer the question Who killed Nancy? Imperfect Women explores guilt and retribution, love and betrayal, and the compromises we make that alter our lives irrevocably. With the wickedly sharp insights and finely tuned suspense that has drawn comparisons to Patricia Highsmith and Paula Hawkins, Araminta Hall returns with another page-turning, thought-provoking tour de force.

I Know What You’ve Done Dorothy Koomson 2021-07-08 ‘It’s sensational’ STEVE CAVANAGH ‘The very definition of a page-turner’ HARRIET TYCE On this street, everyone has secrets... Do you have any idea what the people you know are capable of? Bestselling author of All My Lies Are True, Dorothy Koomson, asks how well you can really know your neighbours. Fans of Lisa Jewell and Claire Douglas will rip through the pages of this addictive new thriller. When Rae answers her front door one afternoon, her neighbour, Priscilla, thrusts a book into her hands before collapsing. After Priscilla is rushed to hospital, Rae discovers the book is actually a diary full of their neighbours' deepest secrets. Rae knows she should hand the book over to the police investigating Priscilla's attack ... but she's spotted her husband's name in the diary and she needs to know what he - and everyone else - has done. But if someone tried to kill Priscilla to keep their secret, how long before Rae is in danger, too? Just like Desperate Housewives but even darker and more devious’ WOMAN & HOME Readers love Dorothy Koomson: 'Koomson just gets better and better' Woman & Home 'An involving psychological thriller' Daily Telegraph 'This is devastatingly good' Heat 'The suspense was on another level' Black Girls Book Club 'Written with verve and insight' Stylist 'We just couldn’t put it down' Closer 'The author plays a blinder' Sun 'The novel simmers with tension' Daily Express 'You'll be gripped by this tense, twisty thriller' Fabulous

All My Lies Are True Dorothy Koomson 2020-07-09 This is devastatingly good' Heat From the bestselling author of The Ice Cream Girls comes a gripping emotional thriller of love and obsession and the nature of coercive control. 'The author plays a blinder' says the Sun. Verity is telling lies... And that's why she's about to be arrested for attempted murder. Serena has been lying for years... And that may have driven her daughter, Verity, to do something unthinkable... Poppy's lies have come back to haunt her... So will her quest for the truth hurt everyone she loves? Everyone lies. But whose lies are going to end in tragedy? Praise for Dorothy Koomson: 'If you only do one thing this weekend, read this book. ... utterly brilliant' Sun 'Immediately gripping and relentlessly intense' Heat 'An instantly involving psychological thriller' Telegraph 'Koomson just gets better and better' Woman & Home

Goodnight, Beautiful Dorothy Koomson 2010-09-28 From the author of the internationally bestselling novels My Best Friend's Girl and Marshmallows for Breakfast comes an incredibly moving, powerfully written new novel about motherhood, love, loss, and new beginnings. Nova will do anything for her closest friend, Mal, whom she has known since childhood. So when Mal and his wife, Stephanie, ask Nova to be a surrogate mother, she agrees—despite her reservations about what it might mean for their friendship. Then Nova’s fears are realized. Halfway through the pregnancy, Stephanie finds a text from her husband to Nova that reads “Goodnight, beautiful.” Already suspicious of their deep connection, Stephanie demands that Mal cut all ties to Nova and their unborn baby, leaving Nova to raise the child alone. Eight years later, Nova is anxiously waiting for her son, Leo, to wake up from a coma, while childless Stephanie is desperately trying to save her failing marriage. Despite her anger and hurt, Nova wants Mal to have the chance to know his son before it’s too late. Will it take a tragedy to remind them all how much they mean to one another? From the Trade Paperback edition.

The Poison Tree Erin Kelly 2011 It is the summer of 1997, and Karen is a strait-laced, straight-A university student who has it all: a loving fiancé Nate, an adoring husband and an exciting new job as a teacher at a prestigious prep school. But when a local girl goes missing, Karen’s life is turned upside down. As the investigation into her death flounders and her friends Eleanor and Mary wrestle with their grief, dark details surface that reveal how little they knew their friend, each other, and maybe even themselves. A gripping, immersive novel about impossible expectations and secrets that fester and become lethal, Imperfect Women unfolds through the perspectives of three fascinating women. Their enduring, complex friendship is the knot the reader must untangle to answer the question Who killed Nancy?
The Flavours of Love
Dorothy Koomson 2013-08-09 A tense, thrilling read from Sunday Times bestselling author Dorothy Koomson Is it an affair . . . or something much worse? Tami's husband, Scott, has just been arrested for a terrible crime - and his accuser is her closest friend. Who should Tami believe? The father of her two daughters? Or her trusted best friend? Torn and desperate to find out the truth, Tami makes her choice - with shocking consequences . . . SHORTLISTED FOR THE SPECSAVERS NATIONAL BOOK AWARD FOR POPULAR FICION 2012

Readers love Dorothy Koomson: 'Cleverly told by three female narrators, this is a complex tale of a terrible crime. I couldn't put it down from start to finish and desperate to uncover the truth' Woman 'If you only do one this weekend, read this book. It's another utterly brilliant psychological thriller!' Sun

My One True North
Milly Johnson 2020-03-16 From the bestselling author of the "glorious, heartfelt" (Rowan Coleman, New York Times bestselling author) novel The Magnificent Mrs. Mayhew comes a warm-hearted tale about two people brought together by fate. Laurie and Pete should never have met. But life has a different idea. Six months on the same night, Laurie and Pete both lost their partners. Overwhelmed by their grief, they join the same counselling group...and change their lives forever. From their profound sadness, Pete and Laurie begin to find happiness and healing. Except, the more they get to know one another, the more Laurie begins to spot the strange parallels in their stories. Then Pete discovers a truth that changes everything—one which threatens to reverse everything they've worked towards. But, as surely as a compass points north, some people cannot be kept apart. With Milly Johnson’s signature "warm, optimistic, and romantic" (Katie Forde, bestselling author) style, My One True North is an "unforgettable exploration of the power of love, friendship, and hope."

A Duty to the Dead
Charles Todd 2009-08-25 "Another winner....Todd again excels at vivid atmosphere and the effects of war in this specific time and place. Grade: A."
–Cleveland Plain Dealer “Readers who can’t get enough of Maisie Dobbs, the intrepid World War I battlefield nurse in Jacqueline Winspear’s novels...are bound to be caught up in the adventures of Bess Crawford.” –New York Times Book Review Charles Todd, author of the resoundingly acclaimed Ian Rutledge crime novels (“One of the best historical series being written today” –Washington Post Book World) debuts an exceptional new protagonist, World War I nurse Bess Crawford, in A Duty to the Dead. A gripping tale of perilous obligations and dark family secrets in the shadows of a nocturnal time of global conflict, A Duty to the Dead is rich in suspense, surprise, and the impecable period atmosphere that has become a Charles Todd trademark. English

Praise: English
Stephen Kelman 2012-01-05 Eleven-year-old Harrison Opoku, the second best runner in Year 7, races through his new life in England with his personalised trainers - the Adidas stripes drawn on with marker pen - blissfully unaware of the very real threat around him. Newly-arrived from Ghana with his mother and older sister Lydia, Harri absorbs the many strange elements of city life, from the bewildering array of Haribo sweets, to the frightening, fascinating gang of older boys from his school. But his life is changed forever when one of his friends is murdered. As the victim's nearly new football boots hang in tribute on railings behind his school, but his life is changed forever when one of his friends is murdered. As the victim's nearly new football boots hang in tribute on railings behind his school, Harri begins to act, unwittingly endangering the fragile web his mother has spun around her family to keep them safe.

The Flavours of Love
Dorothy Koomson 2013-11-07 A gripping psychological drama from the beloved Sunday Times bestselling author of That Girl From Nowhere 'I'm looking for that perfect blend of flavours; the taste that used to be you.' It's been 18 months since my husband was murdered and I've decided to finish writing The Flavours of Love, the cookbook he started before he died. Everyone thinks I'm coping so well without him - they have no idea what I've been hiding or what I did back then to protect my family. But now that my 14-year-old daughter has confessed a devastating secret, and my husband's killer, who was never caught, has started to write to me, I know it's only a matter of time before the truth about me and what I've done will be revealed. My name is Saffron MacKleroy and this is my story.

Between Two Millstones, Book 2
Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn 2020-11-15 This remarkable, Nobel Prize-winner Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn’s literary memoirs of his years in the West after his forced exile from the USSR following the publication of The Gulag Archipelago. The book reflects both the pain of separation from his Russian homeland and the chasm of miscomprehension between him and Western opinion makers. In Between Two Millstones, Solzhenitsyn likens his position to that of a grain that becomes lodged between two massive stones, each grinding away—the Soviet Communist power with its propaganda machine and the West with its establishment with its mainstream media on the other. Book 2 picks up the story of Solzhenitsyn’s remarkable life after the raucous publicity over his 1978 Harvard Address has died down. The author parries attacks from the Soviet state (and its many fellow-travelers in the Western press) as well as from recent émigrés who, according to Solzhenitsyn, defame Russian culture, history, and religion. He shares his unvarnished view of several infamous episodes, such as a sabotaged meeting with Ronald Reagan, aborted Senate hearings regarding Radio Liberty, and Gorbachev’s protracted refusal to allow The Gulag Archipelago to be published back home. There is also a captivating chapter detailing his trips to Japan, Taiwan, and Great Britain, including meetings with Margaret Thatcher and Prince Charles and Princess Diana. Meanwhile, the central themes of Book 1 course through this volume, too—the immense artistic quandary of fashioning The Red Wheel, staunch Western hostility to the historical and future Russia (and how much can, or should, the author do about it), and the challenges of raising his three sons in the language and spirit of Russia while cut off from the homeland in a remote corner of rural New England. The book concludes in 1994, as Solzhenitsyn bids farewell to the West in a valedictory series of speeches and meetings with world leaders, including John Paul II, and prepares at last to return home with his beloved wife Natalia, full of misgivings about what use he can be in the first chaotic years of post-Communist Russia, but never wavering in his conviction that, in the long run, his books would speak, influence, and convince. This vibrant, faithful, and long-awaited first English translation of Between Two Millstones, or what the author himself calls his "soul autobiography", is Solzhenitsyn’s many admirers, as well as those interested in twentieth-century history, Russian history, and literature in general.

When I Was Invisible
Dorothy Koomson 2016-05-05 'Do you ever wonder if you’ve lived the life you were meant to?' I ask her. She sighs, and dips her head. 'Even if I do, what difference will it make?' In 1988, two eight-year-olds were determined to become professional ballet dancers. Years later, however, they have both been dealt so many cruel blows that they walk away from each other into very different futures - one enters a convent, the other becomes a minor celebrity. Will these new, ‘invisible’ lives be the ones they were meant to live, or will they only find that kind of salvation when they
Pessimism is for Lightweights

Salena Godden 2020-06-01 A collection of 13 pieces of courage and resistance, this is work inspired by protests and rallies. Poems written for the women’s march, for women’s empowerment and amplification, poems that salute people fighting for justice, poems on sexism and racism, class discrimination, period poverty and homelessness, immigration and identity. This work reminds us that Courage is a Muscle, it also contains a letter from the spirit of Hope herself, because as the title suggests, Pessimism is for Lightweights.

Bruno, Chief of Police Martin Walker 2009-03-24 The first installment in the delightful, internationally acclaimed series featuring Chief of Police Bruno. Meet Benoît Courrèges, aka Bruno, a policeman in a small village in the South of France. He’s a former soldier who embraced the pleasures and slow rhythms of country life. He's a gun but never wears it; he has the power to arrest but never uses it. But then the murder of an elderly North African who fought in the French army changes all that. Now Bruno must balance his beloved routines—living in his restored shepherd's cottage, shopping at the local market, drinking wine, strolling the countryside—with a politically delicate investigation. He’s paired with a young policewoman from Paris and the two suspect anti-immigrant militants. As they learn more about the dead man’s past, Bruno’s suspicions turn complex and more dangerous.

"Enjoyable.... Martin Walker plots with the same finesse with which Bruno can whip up a truffle omelette, and both have a clear appreciation for a life tied to the land." –The Christian Science Monitor “A nice literary pairing with the slow-food movement.... [It is] lovely...to linger at the table." –Entertainment Weekly “A wonderfully crafted novel as satisfying as a French pastry but with none of the guilt or calories.” –Tuscon Citizen’s Journal

The Ice Cream Girls Dorothy Koomson 2018-08-09 'Got out for a heart-thumping, pulse-pounding, heart-warming journey. If you love a book that’s Bones and pretty girls, then this is the perfect read for you.' –5 Stars Amazon Reviews

"An instantly involving psychological thriller" –Telegraph “The gripping, emotional thriller from the Sunday Times bestselling author Dorothy Koomson. Serena and Poppy were teenagers when they were branded as the Ice Cream Girls. When they were accused of murder, one of them was sent to prison while the other was set free. Now, 20 years later, one of them is doing all she can to clear her name and the other is frantically trying to keep her secrets. Her Pretty Face Robyn Harding 2018-07-10 The author of the bestselling novel The Party—lauded as “tense and riveting” by New York Times bestselling author Megan Miranda—returns with a chilling new domestic drama about two women whose deep friendship is threatened by dark, long-buried secrets. Frances Metcalf is struggling to stay afloat. A stay-at-home mom whose troubled son is her full-time job, she had hoped that the day he got accepted into the elite Forrester Academy would be the day she started living her life. Overweight, insecure, and lonely, she is desperate to fit into the Forrester world. But after a disturbing incident at the school leaves her and the other Forrester moms desperate to ostracize the Metcalfes, she feels more alone than ever before. Until she meets Kate Randolph. Kate is everything Frances is not: beautiful, wealthy, powerful, and confident. And for some reason, she’s not interested in being friends with any of the other Forrester moms—only Frances. As the two bond over their disdain for the Forrester snobs and the fierce love they have for their sons, a startling secret threatens to tear them apart—one of these women is not who she seems. Her real name is Amber Kunik. And she’s a murderer. "Robyn Harding’s Her Pretty Face is a fierce and blazing one-sitting read that will make you question even your closest friendships" (Carter Wilson, USA TODAY bestselling author) and is perfect for fans of Liane Moriarty’s Big Little Lies and Lisa Jewell’s Then She Was Gone."
The Memoirs of Cleopatra
Margaret George 2010-04-01

Bestselling novelist Margaret George brings to life the glittering kingdom of Cleopatra, Queen of the Nile, in this lush, sweeping, and richly detailed saga. Told in an option...

Another addictive, clever, twisty... McAllister's best book yet... This is a killer! I loved every page...

My Lovely Wife
He Started It
Samantha Downing 2021-04-26

An INSTANT INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER “Wholly original. Scarily clever. Completely mesmerizing. You will never look at family road trips the same way again.”--Lisa Gardner, #1 New York Times bestselling author A most anticipated book by Hello Sunshine • Cosmo • Entertainment Weekly • Betches • Hollywood Reporter • Parade • Popsugar • OK! Magazine • Hello Giggles • Bustle • Yahoo! • She Reads • Book Page • CrimeReads • New York Post Best Book of the Week • Goodreads

This Lovely City
Louise Hare 2020-04-07

An atmospheric and utterly compelling debut novel about a Jamaican immigrant living in postwar London, This Lovely City shows that new arrivals have always been the prime suspects — but that even in the face of anger and fear, there is always hope.

The Chocolate Run
Dorothy Koomson 2018-08-09

I didn't... full of heart and truth' Caroline Smailes 'I raced through this compelling thriller' Catherine Isaac 'Stunningly tense' Miranda Dickinson 'Honest and raw' Black Girls Book Club 'Gripping... full of authenticity, it is an irresistible story that reveals why Margaret George's work has been widely acclaimed as "the best kind of historical novel, one the reader can't wait to get lost in." (San Francisco Chronicle)

He Started It
Samantha Downing 2021-04-26
achievement for thriller master James Patterson, "one of the best-selling writers in history" (New York Sun).

**The Brighton Mermaid** by Dorothy Koomson 2012-04-24

As teenagers Poppy Carlisle and Serena Gorringe were the only witnesses to a high-profile murder. Amid heated public debate, the two seemingly glamorous teens were dubbed "The Ice Cream Girls" by the press and were dealt with by the courts—Poppy headed to prison after being convicted for murder and Serena was set free. Years later, after having led very different lives, Poppy is keen to set the record straight about what really happened. The only problem is she has no one to turn to and no clue where to begin her hunt for Serena. Meanwhile, Serena is married with children and wants no one in her present to find out about her past. Consequently, she has the idea she should come clean to her husband; however, she can't seem to find the words. With Poppy determined to salvage what's left of her reputation, Serena may not have a chance in opening a can of worms that may threaten both their lives...again.

**Invisible Allies** by Aleksandr Iasievich Solzhenitsyn

2014-10-13 After his expulsion from Russia in 1974 for undermining the communist regime, Solzhenitsyn wrote a secret record, while it was still fresh in his mind, of the courageous efforts of people who had smuggled them to the West. Before the fall of Communism he could not have published Invisible Allies in conjunction with his memoir The Oak and the Calf without putting those friends in jeopardy. Now the facts may be revealed in this intimate account of the network of individuals who risked life and liberty to ensure that his works were concealed, circulated in "samizdat", and exported via illicit channels. These conspirators, often unknown to one another, shared a devotion to the dissident writer's work and a hatred of an oppressive regime of censorship and denunciation. The circle was varied enough to include scholars and fellow writers, and also elderly babushkas who acted as couriers. With tenderness, respect and humour, Solzhenitsyn speaks of this partners in conspiracy: the women who typed copies of his works under the noses of prying neighbours; the journalists and diplomats who covertly carried microfilms across borders; the friends who hid various drafts of his works from the vigilance of the secret police.

Saving Max Antoinette van Heugten 2018-10-01

Max Parkman—autistic and whip-smart, emotionally fragile and aggressive—is perfect in his mother's eyes. Until he's accused of murder. Attorney Danielle Parkman knows her teenage son Max's behavior has been getting worse—using drugs and lashing out. But she can't accept the diagnosis she receives at a top-notch adolescent psychiatric facility that her son is deeply disturbed. Dangerous. Until she finds Max, unconscious and bloodied, beside a patient who has been brutally stabbed to death. Trapped in a world of doubt and fear, barred from contacting Max, Danielle clings to the belief that her son is innocent. But has he lost touch with reality? Is her son really a killer? With the justice system bearing down on them, Danielle steels herself to discover the truth, no matter what it is. She'll do whatever it takes to find the killer and to save her son from being destroyed by a system that's all too eager to convict him.

**The Brighton Mermaid** by Dorothy Koomson 2018-05-17 **WINNER OF THE PRECIOUS LIFESTYLE MUST READ OF THE YEAR AWARD 2018**

"This will creep its way under your skin and stay there long after you finish the final few gut-twisting chapters. Brilliant!"

Brighton Beach, 1993. Teenagers Nell and Jude find the body of a young woman and when no one comes to claim her, she becomes known as the Brighton Mermaid. Nell is still struggling to move on when, three weeks later, Jude disappears. Twenty-five years on, Nell is forced to quit her job to find out who the Brighton Mermaid really was—and what happened to her best friend that summer. But as Nell edges closer to the truth, dangerous things start to happen. Someone seems to be watching her every move, and soon she starts to wonder who in her life she can actually trust... Fast-paced and thrilling, The Brighton Mermaid explores the deadly secrets of those closest to you.
The Ice Cream Girls  
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2017-06-01  
What secrets would you kill to keep? After her husband’s big promotion, Cece Solarin arrives in Brighton with their three children, ready to start afresh. But their new neighbourhood has a deadly secret. Three weeks earlier, Yvonne, a very popular parent, was almost murdered in the grounds of the local school—the same school where Cece has unwittingly enrolled her children. Already anxious about making friends when the parents seem so cliquey, Cece is now also worried about her children’s safety. By chance she meets Maxie, Anaya and Hazel, three very different school mothers who make her feel welcome and reassure her about her new life. That is until Cece discovers the police believe one of her new friends tried to kill Yvonne. Reluctant to spy on her friends but determined to discover the truth, Cece must uncover the potential murderer before they strike again... From the bestselling author of That Girl from Nowhere and When I Was Invisible comes a thrilling new novel that will have you questioning the line between right and wrong.  
All My Lies Are True Dorothy Koomson  
2021-01-21  
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Secret Obsession  
Kimberla Lawson Roby  
2011-09-06  
Paige Donahue has always lived in her sister Camille’s shadow. As children, Camille had the grades, the friends, and their parents’ love, while Paige was left with hand-me-downs and criticism. Now as adults, Camille lives an idyllic life with her husband, Pierce, and her two perfect children in a beautiful home, while Paige is stuck in a small condo with bills she can’t afford to pay. But no more. With seeds of doubt planted in both Camille’s and Pierce’s minds, a desperate Paige moves from envy to madness. What results from her dangerous scheme is something no one could have imagined.