

Beartown

A tiny American town's plans for radical self-government overlooked one hairy detail: no one told the bears. Once upon a time, a group of libertarians got together and hatched the Free Town Project, a plan to take over an American town and completely eliminate its government. In 2004, they set their sights on Grafton, NH, a barely populated settlement with one paved road. When they descended on Grafton, public funding for pretty much everything shrank: the fire department, the library, the schoolhouse. State and federal laws became meek suggestions, scarcely heard in the town's thick wilderness. The anything-goes atmosphere soon caught the attention of Grafton's neighbors: the bears. Freedom-loving citizens ignored hunting laws and regulations on food disposal. They built a tent city in an effort to get off the grid. The bears smelled food and opportunity. A Libertarian Walks Into a Bear is the sometimes funny, sometimes terrifying tale of what happens when a government disappears into the woods. Complete with gunplay, adventure, and backstabbing politicians, this is the ultimate story of a quintessential American experiment -- to live free or die, perhaps from a bear. Things My Son Needs To Know About The World is a tender and funny series of letters from a new father to his son about one of life's most daunting experiences: parenthood From the 13 million copy internationally bestselling author of A Man Called Ove _____ 'You can be whatever you want to be, but that's nowhere near as important as knowing that you can be exactly who you are' In between the sleep-obsessed lows and oxytocin-fuelled highs, Backman takes a step back to share his own experience of fatherhood and how he navigates such uncharted territory. Part memoir, part manual, part love letter to his son, this book relays the big and the small lessons in life. As he watches his son take his first steps into the world, he teaches him how to navigate both love - and IKEA - and tries to explain why, sometimes, his dad might hold his hand just a little bit too tightly. This is an irresistible and insightful collection from one of the world's most beautiful storytellers - the bestselling author of A Man Called Ove and Beartown. _____ Praise for Fredrick Backman: 'A mature, compassionate novel' Sunday Times 'Will, funny, and almost unbearably moving' Daily Mail 'You'll love this engrossing novel' People 'Backman is a masterful writer' Kirkus Review

NEW for 2007. Find the best places to visit in Colorado's National Forests! Colorado 4-Wheel Drive Roads covers a range of roads from easy-going, scenic drives to technical 4-wheel drive trails over rocky terrain. Full of detailed maps, directions and vital trail information, this guide takes you off the paved roads and into Colorado's breathtaking backcountry. Includes 165 trails, perfect for exploring mountain passes, peaks, lakes, and historic sites without getting lost. Available now!

A NEW YORK TIMES NOTABLE BOOK • “[A] touching memoir . . . What makes the book so sympathetic is Cohen’s lack of self-pity and the straightforward tone. . . . [A] superb chronicle.”—People The Family on Beartown Road is Elizabeth Cohen’s true and moving portrait of love and courage. Elizabeth, a member of the “sandwich generation”—those caught in the middle, simultaneously caring for their children and for their aging parents—is the mother of baby Ava and the daughter of Daddy, and responsible for both. In this story full of everyday triumphs, first steps, and an elder’s confusion, Ava finds each new picture, each new word, each new song, something to learn greedily, joyfully. Daddy is a man in his twilight years, for whom time moves slowly and lessons are not learned but quietly, frustratingly forgotten. Elizabeth, a suddenly single mother with a career and a mortgage and a hamperful of laundry, finds her world spiraling out of control. Faced with mounting disasters, she chooses to confront life head-on, and to see the unique beauty in each and every moment. Imbued with an unquenchable spirit, The Family on Beartown Road takes us on a journey through the remarkable landscape that is family. Originally published as The House on Beartown Road A must-read for fans of Rachel Joyce's The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry and Maria Semple's Where'd You Go, Bernadette 'A touching, sometimes funny, often wise portrait of grief.' Kirkus Heartbreaking and hilarious in equal measure, by the author of the New York Times bestselling phenomenon A Man Called Ove will charm and delight anyone who has ever had a grandmother. Everyone remembers the smell of their grandmother's house. Everyone remembers the stories their grandmother told them. But does everyone remember their grandmother flirting with policemen? Driving illegally? Breaking into a zoo in the middle of the night? Firing a paintball gun from a balcony in her dressing gown? Seven-year-old Elsa does. Some might call Elsa's granny 'eccentric', or even 'crazy'. Elsa calls her a superhero. And granny's stories, of knights and princesses and dragons and castles, are her superpower. Because, as Elsa is starting to learn, heroes and villains don't always exist in imaginary kingdoms; they could live just down the hallway. As Christmas draws near, even the best superhero grandmothers may have one or two things they'd like to apologise for. And, in the process, Elsa can have some breath-taking adventures of her own . . .

From the bestselling author of A Man Called Ove Fredrik Backman comes a dazzling and very profound novel. His new novel Beartown is about a small town with a big dream. The price that is required to make this dream come true is costly. Naysayers see that Beartown is finished. This tiny community that is nestled deep in the forest is slowly losing its ground to the ever-encroaching trees. However, the people in Beartown still believe in tomorrow because of an old ice rink down by the lake. Their junior ice hockey team will soon compete in the national semi-finals. Beartown actually believes that they have a shot at winning. All the town's hopes and dreams now rest on the shoulders of a few teenage boys. In this comprehensive look into Beartown: A Novel by Fredrik Backman, you'll gain insight with this essential resource as a guide to aid your discussions. Be prepared to lead with the following: More than 60 "done-for-you" discussion prompts available Discussion aid which includes a wealth of information and prompts Overall brief plot synopsis and author biography as refreshers Thought-provoking questions made for deeper examinations Creative exercises to foster alternate "if this was you" discussions And more! Please Note: This is a companion guide based on the work Beartown: A Novel by Fredrik Backman not affiliated to the original work or author in any way and does not contain any text of the original work. Please purchase or read the original work first.

THE BIGGEST MYSTERY CAN BE MURDER TO SOLVE . . . DISCOVER THE YEAR'S MOST ORIGINAL CRIME NOVEL 'One of the year's most entertaining crime novels' SUNDAY TIMES, CRIME BOOK OF THE MONTH 'When did you last read a genuinely original thriller? The wait is over' A. J. FINN 'An elegantly structured, intellectually challenging and completely unique thriller that grips like a vice' SOPHIE HANNAH _____ All murder mysteries follow a simple set of rules. In the 1930s, Grant McAllister, a mathematics professor turned author, worked them out, hiding their secrets in a book of crime stories. Then Grant disappeared. Julia Hart has finally tracked him down. She wants to know what happened to him. But she's about to discover that a good mystery can be murder to solve . . . _____ 'One of the most creative detective novels of the year . . . If not of all time' Samantha Downing 'Intelligent and inventive . . . It's the most fun I've had in ages' Cathy Rentzenbrink 'So, so clever . . . Agatha Christie would take her hat off to this one - bravo!' Sarah Pinborough **Winner of the Capital Crimes Reader Award for Debut Book of the Year** SHORTLISTED FOR THE GLASS BELL AWARD AND THE BARRY AWARD FOR BEST FIRST NOVEL

Read the New York Times bestseller that has taken the world by storm In this "charming debut" (People) from one of Sweden's most successful authors, a grumpy yet loveable man finds his solitary world turned on its head when a boisterous young family moves in next door. Meet Ove. He's a curmudgeon--the kind of man who points at people he dislikes as if they were burglars caught outside his bedroom window. He has staunch principles, strict routines, and a short fuse. People call him "the bitter neighbor from hell." But must Ove be bitter just because he doesn't walk around with a smile plastered to his face all the time? Behind the cranky exterior there is a story and a sadness. So when one November morning a chatty young couple with two chatty young daughters move in next door and accidentally flatten Ove's mailbox, it is the lead-in to a comical and heartwarming tale of unkempt cats, unexpected friendship, and the ancient art of backing up a U-Haul. All of which will change one cranky old man and a local residents' association to their very foundations. A feel-good story in the spirit of *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry* and *Major Pettigrew's Last Stand*, Fredrik Backman's novel about the angry old man next door is a thoughtful exploration of the profound impact one life has on countless others. "If there was an award for 'Most Charming Book of the Year,' this first novel by a Swedish blogger-turned-overnight-sensation would win hands down" (Booklist, starred review).

Paints the portrait of an elderly man's struggle to hold on to his most precious memories and his family's efforts to care for him even as they must find a way to let go.

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Based on the award-winning feature-length movie, *Bear City: The Novel* follows the funny, romantic, and often dramatic adventures of a tight-knit pack of bears, cubs, and friends in New York City as they gear up for a big party weekend. A hirsute Sex and the City set in the "Bear" scene, this story brings together these men, their friends, tricks, and lovers, and a cast of colorful, hirsute characters. They experience comical mishaps, lusty and romantic encounters, and an impressive variety of male body types. Using satire and humor, the novel exposes their explores these men's self-image issues and pokes fun at aspects of urban gay lifestyles, all while celebrating the worldwide community of men who call themselves Bears.

A darkly imaginative writer in the tradition of Joe Abercrombie, Peter V. Brett, and Neil Gaiman conjures a gritty mind-bending fantasy, set in a world where delusion becomes reality . . . and the fulfillment of humanity's desires may well prove to be its undoing. When belief defines reality, those with the strongest convictions—the crazy, the obsessive, the delusional—have the power to shape the world. And someone is just mad enough to believe he can create a god . . . Violent and dark, the world is filled with the Geisteskranken—men and women whose delusions manifest. Sustained by their own belief—and the beliefs of those around them—they can manipulate their surroundings. For the High Priest Konig, that means creating order out of the chaos in his city-state, leading his believers to focus on one thing: helping a young man, Morgen, ascend to become a god. A god they can control. Trouble is, there are many who would see a god in their thrall, including the High Priest's own doppelgangers, a Slaver no one can resist, and three slaves led by possibly the only sane man left. As these forces converge on the boy, there's one more obstacle: time is running out. Because as the delusions become more powerful, the also become harder to control. The fate of the Geisteskranken is to inevitably find oneself in the Afterdeath. The question, then, is: Who will rule there?

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previous book, *Writing the Breakout Novel*, offered novelists of all skill levels and genres insider advice on how to make their books rise above the competition and succeed in a crowded marketplace. Now, building on the success of its predecessor, *Writing the Breakout Novel Workbook* calls that advice into action! This powerful book presents the patented techniques and writing exercises from Maass's popular writing workshops to offer novelists first-class instruction and practical guidance. You'll learn to develop and strengthen aspects of your prose with sections on: • Building plot layers • Creating inner conflict • Strengthening voice and point of view • Discovering and heightening larger-than-life character qualities • Strengthening theme • And much more! Maass also carefully dissects examples from real-life breakout novels so you'll learn how to read and analyze fiction like a writer. With authoritative instruction and hands-on workbook exercises, *Writing the Breakout Novel Workbook* is one of the most accessible novel-writing guides available. Set your work-in progress apart from the competition and write your own breakout novel today!

Grandpa used to say it all the time: books have tremendous power. But what is that power really? Natsuki Books was a tiny second-hand bookshop on the edge of town. Inside, towering shelves reached the ceiling, every one crammed full of wonderful books. Rintaro Natsuki loved this space that his grandfather had created. He spent many happy hours there, reading whatever he liked. It was the perfect refuge for a boy who tended to be something of a recluse. After the death of his grandfather, Rintaro is devastated and alone. It seems he will have to close the shop. Then, a talking tabby cat called Tiger appears and asks Rintaro for help. The cat needs a book lover to join him on a mission. This odd couple will go on three magical adventures to save books from people who have imprisoned, mistreated and betrayed them. Finally, there is one last rescue that Rintaro must attempt alone . . . *The Cat Who Saved Books* is a heart-warming story about finding courage, caring for others – and the tremendous power of books. Sosuke Natsukawa's international bestseller, translated from Japanese by Louise Heal Kawai, is a story for those for whom books are so much more than words on paper.

A philosopher is given the task of teaching a mysterious child, but does not foresee the consequences for his protegee... After crashing and burning during his PhD viva, Mason Ambrose is offered a large amount of money to go to a mysterious tropical island - Isla de Sangre. His employer is wealthy recluse Edwina Sabachtani whose daughter has supposedly lost her sense of right and wrong after a diving accident. Mason is to use his knowledge as a philosopher to instill a conscience, a moral compass in the child. Mason happily instructs her in schools of thought, from the stoics to the epicureans, but it is when he introduces Londa to the Beatitudes that the seeds of a rampaging sense of justice are sown. Venturing from the confines of the island, Londa sets out to create a world that is more just. But when she takes her crusade too far, kidnapping a boat full of wealthy industrialists, Mason realises he must take desperate measures... Instant New York Times Bestseller! The author of *A Man Called Ove* returns with “a lyrical look at how a community heals, how families recover, and how individuals grow” (The Washington Post). “Fans of Backman will not be disappointed. His work continues to amaze and captivate, enlighten and thrill.” —Shelf Awareness A small community tucked deep in the forest, Beartown is home to tough, hardworking people who don't expect life to be easy or fair. No matter how difficult times get, they've always been able to take pride in their local ice hockey team. So it's a cruel blow when they hear that their town's ice hockey club might soon be disbanded. What makes it worse is the obvious satisfaction that all the former Beartown players, who now play for a rival team in the neighboring town of Hed, take in that fact. But the arrival of a newcomer gives Beartown hockey a chance at a comeback. Soon a team starts to take shape around Amat, the fastest player you'll ever see; Benji, the intense lone wolf; always dutiful and eager-to-please Bobo; and Vidar, a born-to-be-bad troublemaker. But bringing this team together proves to be a huge challenge, especially as the town's enmity with Hed grows more and more acute as the big game approaches. By the time the last goal is scored, a resident of Beartown will be dead, and the people of both towns will be forced to wonder if, after everything, the game they love can ever return to something as simple and innocent as a field of ice, two nets, and two teams. Us against you. Here is a declaration of love for all the big and small, bright and dark stories that give form and color to our communities. With immense compassion and insight, Fredrik Backman reveals how loyalty, friendship, and kindness can carry a town through its most challenging days.

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From Fredrik Backman, New York Times bestselling author of *Beartown*, comes a heart-wrenching story of the ways loyalty, friendship, and love carry a small community through its darkest days. After everything that the citizens of Beartown have gone through, they are struck yet another blow when they hear that their beloved local junior hockey team will soon be disbanded. What makes it worse is the obvious satisfaction that all the former Beartown players, who now play for a rival team in Hed, take in that fact. As the tension between the two towns simmers, a surprising newcomer is handpicked to try to save the Beartown club. Soon a new team starts to take shape around Amat, the fastest player you'll ever see; Benji, the intense lone wolf; and Vidar, a born-to-be-bad troublemaker. But bringing this team together proves to be a challenge as old bonds are broken, new ones are formed, and the enmity with Hed grows more and more heated. As the big game between Beartown and Hed approaches, the not-so-innocent pranks and incidents between the communities pile up. By the time the last game is finally played, a resident of Beartown will be dead, and the people of both towns will be forced to wonder if, after all they've been through, the game they love can ever return to something simple and innocent. *Us Against You* is a declaration of love for all the big and small, bright and dark stories that form and colour our communities. Compelling and heartbreaking, it's a roller-coaster ride of emotions and a showcase for “Fredrik Backman's pitch-perfect dialogue and unparalleled understanding of human nature” (Shelf Awareness).

Fans of *Beartown* and *A Man Called Ove* will love this festive novella, from the 13 million copy internationally bestselling author. _____ It is Christmas Eve and a father and son are meeting for the first time in years. The father has a story he needs to share before it's too late. As he tells his son about a courageous little girl lying in a hospital bed a few miles

away, he reveals even more about himself; his triumphs in business, his failures as a parent, his past regrets, his hopes for the future. Now, on this night before Christmas, the father has been given the unexpected chance to do something remarkable that could change the destiny of a little girl he hardly knows. But before he can make the deal of a lifetime, he must find out what his own life has actually been worth, and only his son can reveal the answer. With humour and compassion, Fredrik Backman's novella *The Deal of a Lifetime* reminds us that life is a fleeting gift, and our legacies rest in how we share that gift with those we love.

TALL BONES by Anna Bailey is a firecracker of a literary crime novel, set in a claustrophobic and remote Colorado town, that explores what happens to a fractured community following the disappearance of a teenage girl. When 17-year-old Abigail goes missing, her best friend Emma (who only has Abi for a friend), compelled by the guilt of leaving her alone at the Tall Bones party that night, sets out to find the truth about what happened. But as the details unfold, the festering secrets and longstanding resentment of both Abigail's family and the people of Whispering Ridge, Colorado begin to surface with devastating consequences. Among those secrets are those harboured by the members of Abi's family: her older brother Noah's unworldly yet horribly dangerous love for the handsome Rat, a Romanian immigrant who recently entered town; her 12-year-old brother Jude, who is filled with a shining goodness yet walks with a stick because his father threw him down the stairs and their mother Dolly turned away. And what about Dolly, who married the bible-bashing Samuel on a whim, and now has a frozen heart and watches her children unravel? Not to mention the crazy pastor who incites hatred, filling his congregation with tales of fire and brimstone. Dark and atmospheric yet hopeful through the spirit of its young set of characters, **TALL BONES** is at its core a story about love and hate, acceptance and intolerance, and how religious devotion can manifest as rage and violence with utterly dangerous consequences.

If you could change something about yourself, would you do it? When Sarah Simpkins is teased about her shadow in the school playground, she finds herself wishing she didn't have one. That night she has the chance to make the wish come true. But will losing her shadow really make her happy?

SuperSummary, a modern alternative to SparkNotes and CliffsNotes, offers high-quality study guides for challenging works of literature. This 76-page guide for "*Beartown*" by Fredrik Backman includes detailed chapter summaries and analysis covering 50 chapters, as well as several more in-depth sections of expert-written literary analysis. Featured content includes commentary on major characters, 25 important quotes, essay topics, and key themes like *Secrets and Shame* and *Grief*.

Look out for **ANXIOUS PEOPLE**, the new novel by Fredrik Backman and **INSTANT #1** New York Times bestseller!

****Beartown* is now a MAJOR HBO TV series, coming to UK screens in 2021*** 'I utterly believed in the residents of Beartown and felt ripped apart by the events in the book' JOJO MOYES 'I couldn't put it down. Heart-rending and engrossing' 5***** Reader Review _____ In a large Swedish forest, Beartown hides a dark secret . . . Cut-off from everywhere else, it experiences the kind of isolation that tears people apart. And each year, more and more of the town is swallowed by the forest. Then the town is offered a bright new future. But it is all put in jeopardy by a single, brutal act. It divides the town into those who think it should be hushed up and forgotten, and those who'll risk the future to see justice done. Who will speak up? Could you stand by and stay silent? Or would you risk everything for justice? Which side would you be on? _____ 'A mature, compassionate novel' Sunday Times 'You'll love this engrossing novel' People 'You know a book is good when you don't want it to end' 5***** reader review

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'I LOVED THIS BOOK!!!... perfection... FIVE STARS alllll the way!... Mind-blowing... so much to love... make sure you get it!' Goodreads reviewer, ?????? On her first day as a bookbinder at Ayredale Library, Sophie gazes in awe at the grand, turreted building nestled deep in the English countryside. It's where her mother Elizabeth worked too: before she disappeared. Clutching her leaf-shaped necklace – all that Elizabeth left behind – Sophie hopes to finally find the truth, and soon feels strangely at home alongside her fellow binders. But everything changes when a beautiful door – engraved with a leaf matching her mother's necklace – swings open at her touch. Sophie gasps at the impossible sight inside: a silver tree growing higher than the library itself. Amidst the gentle rustling leaves Sophie hears a familiar whisper. Although there's no-one to be seen she's certain it's her mother's voice: 'There you are, my Sophie. I knew you'd come back for me.' Could the magical library itself have stolen her mother away? And could the necklace unlock the secrets of the tree? Asking the enigmatic Keeper of the Library for answers gets her nothing but dire warnings – and when another face from her past appears at the grand doors of Ayredale, Sophie's blood runs cold at his sinister smile. Will she ever find the truth about her mother – or will Sophie be the next to disappear? An absolutely unputdownable read about long-hidden family secrets and the magic that lurks between the pages of every book. Perfect for fans of *The Ten Thousand Doors of January*, *The Night Circus* and *The Binding*. Read what everyone's saying about *The Bookbinder's Daughter*: 'Wow... one of the best books I have read this year... simply fantastic, amazing, outstanding and superb. I loved it so much... highly recommend... beautiful... This is an amazing book, which you just have to read so that you can feel the magic too!' Goodreads reviewer, ?????? 'Amazing, magical book... pulls you in and keeps you on your toes the whole time... when it

finally ends you wish it didn't have to... phenomenal... omg... I cannot wait to read this book again.' Goodreads reviewer, ?????? "A beautiful tale... drew me in from the first page... must-read... I absolutely loved this book. Gorgeous... a treasure to read and reread for years to come... I can't recommend it highly enough. Cuddle up and completely fall into this one." A Day in the Lifestyle, ?????? 'Enchanting... Unputdownable... I loved everything about this book... Brilliant!... captured me from the beginning... I really loved the ending.' Goodreads reviewer 'What a magical story! It caught me and did not want to let go until the end... You can lose yourself to this story!... Highly recommend.' Goodreads reviewer "I was hooked from the first page. This was everything I want in a book. It has magic, romance, mystery, heart. A perfect read." @jessicatreads, ?????? "Phenomenal... magical... the perfect winter read!" @houseofbonesandsorrow "Hauntingly beautiful!... will capture any fantasy lover's heart." Fromthebookshelfofdreams, ?????? "I absolutely loved this... absolute bliss." Goodreads reviewer, ?????? "Heartbreaking... A must read!" Goodreads reviewer, ?????? The Dream Daughter is a page-turning and unforgettable story of love and hope from bestselling author Diane Chamberlain. When Caroline Sears receives the news that her unborn baby girl has a heart defect, she is devastated. It is 1970 and there seems to be little that can be done. But her brother-in-law, a physicist, tells her that perhaps there is. Hunter appeared in their lives just a few years before – and his appearance was as mysterious as his past. With no family, no friends, and a background shrouded in secrets, Hunter embraced the Sears family and never looked back. Now, Hunter is telling her that something can be done about her baby's heart. Something that will shatter every preconceived notion that Caroline has. Something that will require a kind of strength and courage that Caroline never knew existed. Something that will mean a mind-bending leap of faith on Caroline's part. And all for the love of her unborn child.

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Everyone is on one side or the other. Which side would you be on?

The number 1 European bestseller by the author of New York Times bestseller and international phenomenon A Man Called Ove, Britt-Marie was Here is a funny, poignant and uplifting tale of love, community, and second chances. For as long as anyone can remember, Britt-Marie has been an acquired taste. It's not that she's judgemental, or fussy, or difficult - she just expects things to be done in a certain way. A cutlery drawer should be arranged in the right order, for example (forks, knives, then spoons). We're not animals, are we? But behind the passive-aggressive, socially awkward, absurdly pedantic busybody is a woman who has more imagination, bigger dreams and a warmer heart than anyone around her realizes. So when Britt-Marie finds herself unemployed, separated from her husband of 20 years, left to fend for herself in the miserable provincial backwater that is Borg - of which the kindest thing one can say is that it has a road going through it - and somehow tasked with running the local football team, she is a little unprepared. But she will learn that life may have more to offer her than she's ever realised, and love might be found in the most unexpected of places.

'Wonderful' MARIAN KEYES 'A gorgeous exploration of the messy and fragile nature of friendship and all the many forms of love' IRISH TIMES 'A perfect page-turner. I loved it' DOLLY ALDERTON After a tough few years floundering around the British film industry, experimenting with amateur pornography and watching her father's health rapidly decline, Charlie and her best friend Laura journey to her ancestral home of Clipim, an island off the west coast of Ireland. She knows this could be the last chance to connect with her dad's history before she loses him. But when the girls arrive, Charlie begins to question both her difficult relationship with Laura and her father's childhood stories. Before long, she's embroiled in a devastating conspiracy that's been sixty years in the making . . . and it's up to her to reveal the truth. 'One of the most intelligent, well observed depictions of lust, loss, envy, betrayal, friendship and love that I've ever read' DAISY BUCHANAN 'A moving and extremely funny look at family, roots and the myth of Irishness' THE i, ESSENTIAL SUMMER READS 'Witty, tender and insightful . . . O'Donoghue is a perceptive, clever writer' GUARDIAN 'A darkly humorous, keenly observed blend of millennial drift and murder mystery from a razor-sharp writer' RED

I refuse to compromise. I refuse to forgive. I refuse to forget. The major new novel from the author of Out Stealing Horses. 'Tommy. How long have we been friends.' 'All of our lives,' Tommy said. 'I can't remember us ever not being friends. When would that have been.' Jim said. 'I think it could last the rest of our lives,' he said carefully, in a low voice. 'Don't you think.' 'It will last if we want it to. It depends on us. We can be friends for as long as we want to.' Tommy's mother has gone. She walked out into the snow one night, leaving him and his sisters with their violent father. Without his best friend Jim, Tommy would be in trouble. But Jim has challenges of his own which will disrupt their precious friendship. A TLS and Guardian Book of the Year

Much to Doctor Menka's horror, a shady but well organised consortium converting body parts to unconventional use is operating out of his hospital. Already at the end of his tether from the horrors he routinely sees in surgery, he shares this latest development with his oldest college friend, bon viveur, star engineer and Yoruba royal, Duyole Pitan-Payne, who has never before met a puzzle he couldn't solve. Neither realises how close the enemy is, nor how powerful.

Instant #1 New York Times Bestseller A People Book of the Week, Book of the Month Club selection, and Best of Fall in Good Housekeeping, PopSugar, The Washington Post, New York Post, Shondaland, CNN, and more! “[A] quirky, big-hearted novel...Wry, wise, and often laugh-out-loud funny, it’s a wholly original story that delivers pure pleasure.” —People From the #1 New York Times bestselling author of A Man Called Ove comes a charming, poignant novel about a crime that never took place, a would-be bank robber who disappears into thin air, and eight extremely anxious strangers who find they have more in common than they ever imagined. Looking at real estate isn’t usually a life-or-death situation, but an apartment open house becomes just that when a failed bank robber bursts in and takes a group of strangers hostage. The captives include a recently retired couple who relentlessly hunt down fixer-uppers to avoid the painful truth that they can’t fix their own marriage. There’s a wealthy bank director who has been too busy to care about anyone else and a young couple who are about to have their first child but can’t seem to agree on anything, from where they want to live to how they met in the first place. Add to the mix an eighty-seven-year-old woman who has lived long enough not to be afraid of someone waving a gun in her face, a flustered but still-ready-to-make-a-deal real estate agent, and a mystery man who has locked himself in the apartment’s only bathroom, and you’ve got the worst group of hostages in the world. Each of them carries a lifetime of grievances, hurts, secrets, and passions that are ready to boil over. None of them is entirely who they appear to be. And all of them—the bank robber included—desperately crave some sort of rescue. As the authorities and the media surround the premises these reluctant allies will reveal surprising truths about themselves and set in motion a chain of events so unexpected that even they can hardly explain what happens next. Rich with Fredrik Backman’s “pitch-perfect dialogue and an unparalleled understanding of human nature” (Shelf Awareness), *Anxious People* is an ingeniously constructed story about the enduring power of friendship, forgiveness, and hope—the things that save us, even in the most anxious times.

Walk down to town with Bear and discover all the different businesses and settings. The rhyming text teaches days of the week, and is complemented by a full-spread map of the town at the end. Ages: 2-6 Colour illustrations

“Gripping and timely.” —People “The YA debut we’re most excited for this year.” —Entertainment Weekly “A book that knocks you off your feet while dropping the kind of knowledge that’ll keep you down for the count. Prepare to BE slain.” —Nic Stone, New York Times bestselling author of *Dear Martin* and *Odd One Out* Ready Player One meets *The Hate U Give* in this dynamite debut novel that follows a fierce teen game developer as she battles a real-life troll intent on ruining the Black Panther–inspired video game she created and the safe community it represents for Black gamers. By day, seventeen-year-old Kiera Johnson is an honors student, a math tutor, and one of the only Black kids at Jefferson Academy. But at home, she joins hundreds of thousands of Black gamers who duel worldwide as Nubian personas in the secret multiplayer online role-playing card game, SLAY. No one knows Kiera is the game developer, not her friends, her family, not even her boyfriend, Malcolm, who believes video games are partially responsible for the “downfall of the Black man.” But when a teen in Kansas City is murdered over a dispute in the SLAY world, news of the game reaches mainstream media, and SLAY is labeled a racist, exclusionist, violent hub for thugs and criminals. Even worse, an anonymous troll infiltrates the game, threatening to sue Kiera for “anti-white discrimination.” Driven to save the only world in which she can be herself, Kiera must preserve her secret identity and harness what it means to be unapologetically Black in a world intimidated by Blackness. But can she protect her game without losing herself in the process?

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