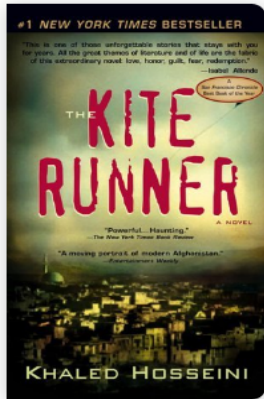


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Khaled Hosseini

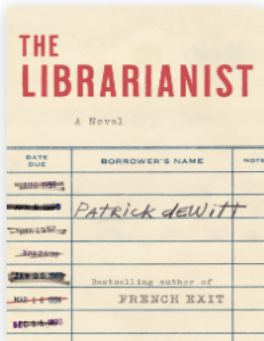
★★★★★ 4.34 3,057,518 ratings · 95,028 reviews

1970s Afghanistan: Twelve-year-old Amir is desperate to win the local kite-fighting tournament and his loyal friend Hassan promises to help him. But neither of the boys can foresee what would happen to Hassan that afternoon, an event that is to shatter their lives. After the Russians invade and the family is forced to flee to America, Amir realises that one day he must return to an Afghanistan under Taliban rule to find the one thing that his new world cannot grant him: redemption.

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## The Librarianist

Patrick deWitt

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From bestselling and award-winning author Patrick deWitt comes the story of Bob Comet, a man who has lived his life through and for literature, unaware that his own experience is a poignant and affecting narrative in itself.

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Jodi Picoult

★★★★★ 3.73 80,296 ratings · 6,695 reviews

A life hanging in the balance...a family torn apart— New York Times bestselling author Jodi Picoult tells an unforgettable story about family secrets, love, and letting go.

On an icy winter night, a terrible accident forces a family divided to come together and make a fateful decision. Cara, once protected by her father, Luke, is tormented by a secret that nobody knows. Her brother, Edward, has secrets of his own. He has kept them hidden, but

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Ashley Audrain

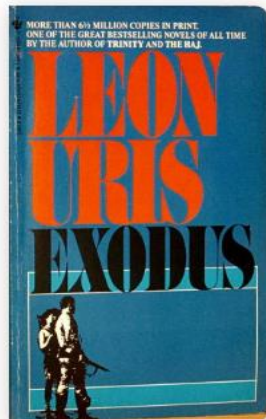
★★★★☆ 3.85 57,346 ratings · 7,304 reviews

A pageturner about four suburban families whose lives are changed when the unthinkable happens--and what is lost when good people make unconscionable choices

The Loverlys sit by the hospital bed of their young son who is in a coma after falling from his bedroom window in the middle of the night; his mother, Whitney, will not speak to anyone. Back home, their friends and neighbors are left in shock, each confronting their own role in the events that led up to what happened that terrible night: the warm, altruistic Parks who are the Loverlys' best friends; the young, ambitious Goldsmiths who are struggling to start a family of their own; and the quiet, elderly Portuguese couple who care for their adult son with a developmental disability, and who pass the long days on the front porch, watching their neighbors go about their busy lives.

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### Exodus

Leon Uris

★★★★☆ 4.34 98,368 ratings · 2,080 reviews

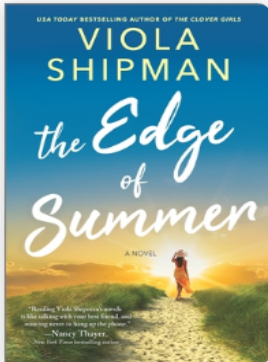
*Exodus* is an international publishing phenomenon--the towering novel of the twentieth century's most dramatic geopolitical event. Leon Uris magnificently portrays the birth of a new nation in the midst of enemies--the beginning of an earthshaking struggle for power. Here is the tale that swept the world with its fury: the story of an American nurse, an Israeli freedom fighter caught up in a glorious, heartbreaking, triumphant era.

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Viola Shipman

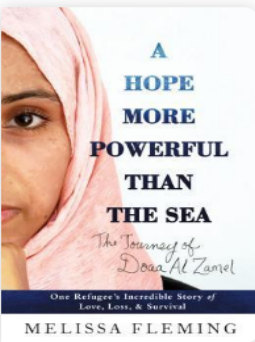
★★★★☆ 4.02 4,092 ratings · 597 reviews

Bestselling author Viola Shipman delights with this captivating summertime escape set along the sparkling shores of Lake Michigan, where a woman searches for clues to her secretive mother's past

Devastated by the sudden death of her mother—a quiet, loving and intensely private Southern seamstress called Miss Mabel, who overflowed with pearls of Ozarks wisdom but never spoke of her own family—Sutton Douglas makes the impulsive decision to pack up and head north to the Michigan resort town where she believes she'll find answers to the lifelong questions she's had about not only her mother's past but also her own place in the world.

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## A Hope More Powerful Than the Sea: One Refugee's Incredible Story of Love, Loss, and Survival

Melissa Fleming

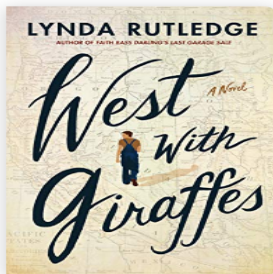
★★★★☆ 4.33 5,629 ratings · 939 reviews

Goodreads Choice Award Nominee for Best History & Biography (2017)

Doaa and her family leave war-torn Syria for Egypt where the climate is becoming politically unstable and increasingly dangerous. She meets and falls in love with Bassem, a former Free Syrian Army fighter and together they decide to leave behind the hardship and harassment they face in Egypt to flee for Europe, joining the ranks of the thousands of refugees who make the dangerous journey across the Mediterranean on overcrowded and run-down ships to seek asylum overseas and begin a new life.

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## West with Giraffes

Lynda Rutledge

★★★★☆ 4.38 110,519 ratings · 11,052 reviews

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An emotional, rousing novel inspired by the incredible true story of two giraffes who made headlines and won the hearts of Depression-era America.

"Few true friends have I known and two were giraffes..."

Woodrow Wilson Nickel, age 105, feels his life ebbing away. But when he learns giraffes are going extinct, he finds himself recalling the unforgettable experience he cannot take to his

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Barbara Kingsolver

★★★★★ 4.52 286,735 ratings · 30,858 reviews

Goodreads Choice Award Nominee for Best Fiction (2022)

"Anyone will tell you the born of this world are marked from the get-out, win or lose."

Set in the mountains of southern Appalachia, this is the story of a boy born to a teenaged single mother in a single-wide trailer, with no assets beyond his dead father's good looks and copper-colored hair, a caustic wit, and a fierce talent for survival. In a plot that never pauses for breath, relayed in his own unsparing voice, he braves the modern perils of foster care, child labor, derelict schools, athletic success, addiction, disastrous loves, and crushing losses.

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Nikki Erlick

★★★★★ 4.01 157,250 ratings · 19,217 reviews

Goodreads Choice Award Nominee for Best Science Fiction (2022), Nominee for Best Debut Novel (2022)

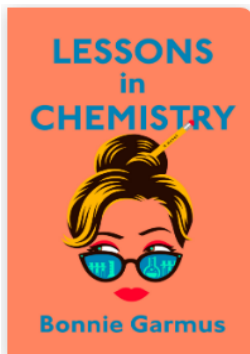
Eight ordinary people. One extraordinary choice.

It seems like any other day. You wake up, pour a cup of coffee, and head out.

But today, when you open your front door, waiting for you is a small wooden box. This box holds your fate inside: the answer to the exact number of years you will live.

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Bonnie Garmus

★★★★★ 4.31 971,167 ratings · 90,447 reviews

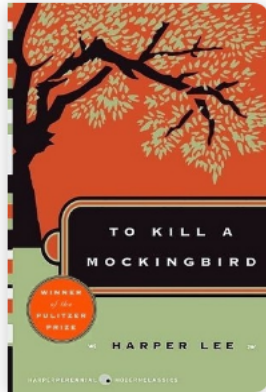
Goodreads Choice Award Nominee for Best Historical Fiction (2022), Winner for Best Debut Novel (2022)

Alternate cover edition of [ISBN 9780385547345](#).

Chemist Elizabeth Zott is not your average woman. In fact, Elizabeth Zott would be the first to point out that there is no such thing as an average woman. But it's the early 1960s and her all-male team at Hastings Research Institute takes a very unscientific view of equality. Except for one: Calvin Evans; the lonely, brilliant, Nobel-prize nominated grudge-holder who falls in love

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*To Kill a Mockingbird #1*

# To Kill a Mockingbird

Harper Lee

★★★★☆ **4.26** 5,907,564 ratings · 114,449 reviews

The unforgettable novel of a childhood in a sleepy Southern town and the crisis of conscience that rocked it. "To Kill A Mockingbird" became both an instant bestseller and a critical success when it was first published in 1960. It went on to win the Pulitzer Prize in 1961 and was later made into an Academy Award-winning film, also a classic.

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