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*Ruby likes red blocks. Benji likes blue  
blocks. But what happens when they won't*

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*share?*

*A rare meteorite struck Alex Woods when he was ten years old, leaving scars and marking him for an extraordinary future. The son of a fortune teller, bookish, and an easy target for bullies, Alex hasn't had the easiest childhood. But when he meets curmudgeonly widower Mr. Peterson, he*

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*finds an unlikely friend. Someone who teaches him that that you only get one shot at life. That you have to make it count. So when, aged seventeen, Alex is stopped at customs with 113 grams of marijuana, an urn full of ashes on the front seat, and an entire nation in uproar, he's fairly sure he's done the right thing ... Introducing a bright*

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*young voice destined to charm the world,  
The Universe Versus Alex Woods is a  
celebration of curious incidents, astronomy  
and astrology, the works of Kurt Vonnegut  
and the unexpected connections that form  
our world.*

*A Boy Made of Blocks The most uplifting  
novel of 2017 St. Martin's Press*

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*First of a thrilling fantasy adventure series set on the Dark World, where society is ranked according to its colour clan and the most precious commodity is light. In all the world there is only one place that ever sees the sun. A seven-towered castle built upon a mountain high above the desolate ice lands below. Tal is getting ready for the Day of*

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*Ascension - a day when all the 13-year-old Chosen from the Castle of Seven Towers enter the spirit world of Aenir. Then his father disappears with the family's Primary Sunstone. Without it, Tal cannot enter Aenir and bind himself to a Spiritshadow - a guardian being, both protector and friend. Tal tries to steal a Sunstone, but during his*

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*act of thievery is thrown off the Castle of Seven Towers by a powerful Spiritshadow Keeper. He falls down to the iceworld below, where he is captured by Icecarls. To save his life, he must team up with Milla - a Shield-Maiden-in-training - and offer his aid to the nomads. Which complicates his task immeasurably...*

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*A "suspenseful, atmospheric tale. .*

*.punctured by a gut-punch twist"*

*(Entertainment Weekly), A Boy and His  
Dog at the End of the World is a story of  
survival, courage and hope amid the ruins  
of our world. My name's Griz. I've never  
been to school, I've never had friends, and  
in my whole life I've not met enough people*



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*to play a game of football. My parents told me how crowded the world used to be, before all the people went away. But we were never lonely on our remote island. We had each other, and our dogs. Then the thief came. "This unputdownable story has everything -- a well-imagined post-apocalyptic world, great characters,*

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*incredible suspense, and, of course, the  
fierce love of some very good dogs." --  
Kirkus (starred review)*

*The most uplifting novel of 2017*

*Shtum*

*Sparkle Boy*

*The most uplifting novel of the year*

*The Inner Voice of a Thirteen-Year-Old*

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*Boy with Autism*

**Told with humor and heart,  
The Boy at the Back of the  
Class offers a child's  
perspective on the refugee  
crisis, highlighting the  
importance of friendship**

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**and kindness in a world  
that doesn't always make  
sense. There used to be an  
empty chair at the back of  
Mrs. Khan's classroom, but  
on the third Tuesday of  
the school year a new kid**

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**fills it: nine-year-old  
Ahmet, a Syrian refugee.  
The whole class is curious  
about this new boy--he  
doesn't seem to smile, and  
he doesn't talk much. But  
after learning that Ahmet**

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**fled a Very Real War and  
was separated from his  
family along the way, a  
determined group of his  
classmates bands together  
to concoct the Greatest  
Idea in the World--a**

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**magnificent plan to  
reunite Ahmet with his  
loved ones. This  
accessible, kid-friendly  
story about the refugee  
crisis highlights the  
community-changing**

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**potential of standing as  
an ally and reminds  
readers that everyone  
deserves a place to call  
home. "This moving and  
timely debut novel tells  
an enlightening,**



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**empowering, and ultimately  
hopeful story about how  
compassion and a  
willingness to speak out  
can change the world."**

**--School Library Journal,  
Starred Review Overall**

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**Winner of the 2019 UK  
Waterstones Children's  
Book Prize Winner of the  
2019 UK Blue Peter Book  
Award A CLIP Carnegie  
Medal Children's Book  
Award Nominee**

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**Two young boys encounter  
the best and worst of  
humanity during the  
Holocaust in this powerful  
read that USA Today called  
"as memorable an  
introduction to the**

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**subject as The Diary of  
Anne Frank.” Berlin, 1942:  
When Bruno returns home  
from school one day, he  
discovers that his  
belongings are being  
packed in crates. His**

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**father has received a  
promotion and the family  
must move to a new house  
far, far away, where there  
is no one to play with and  
nothing to do. A tall  
fence stretches as far as**

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the eye can see and cuts  
him off from the strange  
people in the distance.  
But Bruno longs to be an  
explorer and decides that  
there must be more to this  
desolate new place than

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**meets the eye. While  
exploring his new  
environment, he meets  
another boy whose life and  
circumstances are very  
different from his own,  
and their meeting results**

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**in a friendship that has  
devastating consequences.  
You never know who's  
watching... 'Spine-  
chilling ... makes you  
realise how little you  
ever know anyone!' The Sun**



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**\*\*\*Phoebe Morgan's latest  
exhilarating thriller The  
Wild Girls is available  
now!\*\*\***

**Through journal entries,  
sixteen-year-old Miranda  
describes her family's**

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**struggle to survive after  
a meteor hits the moon,  
causing worldwide  
tsunamis, earthquakes, and  
volcanic eruptions.  
Life is built on the  
little things ... Eight**

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**year-old Sam has always  
been different -  
beautiful, surprising, and  
autistic. For all he loves  
his family, dad Alex has  
always struggled to  
connect with Sam, and the**

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**strain has pushed his  
marriage with Jody to the  
edge. So Alex moves in  
with his merrily  
irresponsible best friend  
on the world's most  
uncomfortable blow-up bed,**

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wondering how to win back  
his wife and son. As Alex  
navigates single life,  
long-buried family secrets  
and part-time fatherhood,  
his son begins playing  
Minecraft, opening up a

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**place where Alex and Sam  
begin to rediscover both  
themselves, and each other  
... Can one fragmented  
family put themselves back  
together, one piece at a  
time?**

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**A Unifying Foundation  
Transforming the Workforce  
for Children Birth Through  
Age 8**

**A Boy and His Dog at the  
End of the World  
When You Reach Me**

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**The Boy in the Striped  
Pajamas**

***THE RICHARD AND JUDY BOOK  
CLUB 2017 BESTSELLER AND  
NUMBER ONE AMAZON  
BESTSELLER 'The publishing  
sensation of the year: a***



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***compelling, uplifting and heart-  
rending debut novel' Mail on  
Sunday A Boy Made of Blocks  
is a funny, heartwarming story  
of family and love inspired by  
the author's own experiences  
with his son, the perfect latest***

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***obsession for fans of The Rosie Project, David Nicholls and Jojo Moyes. A father who rediscovers love Alex loves his wife Jody, but has forgotten how to show it. He loves his son Sam, but doesn't***

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***understand him. He needs a reason to grab his future with both hands. A son who shows him how to live Meet eight-year-old Sam: beautiful, surprising - and different. To him the world is a frightening***

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***mystery. But as his  
imagination comes to life, his  
family will be changed . . . for  
good. \*Keith Stuart's magical  
and moving second novel Days  
of Wonder is available to pre-  
order now.\* 'One of those***

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***wonderful books that makes  
you laugh and cry at the same  
time' Good Housekeeping  
'Funny, expertly plotted and  
written with enormous heart.  
Readers who enjoyed The  
Rosie Project will love A Boy***

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***Made of Blocks - I did' Graeme  
Simsion 'Very funny, incredibly  
poignant and full of insight.  
Awesome.' Jenny Colgan  
'Heartwarming' The Unmumsy  
Mum 'A wonderful, warm,  
insightful novel about family,***

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***friendship and love' Daily Mail  
'A great plot, with a rare sense  
of honesty' Guardian 'A truly  
beautiful story' Heat 'A  
heartwarming and wise story'  
Cathy Rentzenbrink, author of  
The Last Act of Love***

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**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER**  
**• REESE'S BOOK CLUB PICK • A**  
***“tender, beautiful and***  
***radiantly outraged” (The New***  
***York Times Book Review) novel***  
***that follows a year of seismic***  
***romantic, political, and familial***



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***shifts for a teacher and her students at a boarding school for the deaf, from the acclaimed author of Girl at War “For those who loved the Oscar-winning film CODA, a boarding school for deaf***

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**students is the setting for a  
kaleidoscope of  
experiences.”—The  
Washington Post ONE OF THE  
MOST ANTICIPATED BOOKS OF  
2022—Oprah Daily, The  
Millions, Lit Hub, Publishers**

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**Weekly, BookPage True biz  
(adj./exclamation; American  
Sign Language): really,  
seriously, definitely, real-talk  
True biz? The students at the  
River Valley School for the  
Deaf just want to hook up,**

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***pass their history finals, and  
have politicians, doctors, and  
their parents stop telling them  
what to do with their bodies.  
This revelatory novel plunges  
readers into the halls of a  
residential school for the deaf,***

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***where they'll meet Charlie, a rebellious transfer student who's never met another deaf person before; Austin, the school's golden boy, whose world is rocked when his baby sister is born hearing; and***

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***February, the hearing  
headmistress, a CODA (child of  
deaf adult(s)) who is fighting  
to keep her school open and  
her marriage intact, but might  
not be able to do both. As a  
series of crises both personal***

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***and political threaten to unravel each of them, Charlie, Austin, and February find their lives inextricable from one another—and changed forever. This is a story of sign language and lip-reading, disability and***

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***civil rights, isolation and  
injustice, first love and loss,  
and, above all, great  
persistence, daring, and joy.  
Absorbing and assured,  
idiosyncratic and relatable,  
this is an unforgettable***



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***journey into the Deaf  
community and a universal  
celebration of human  
connection.***

***“Straight up, parent tested,  
and funny to boot, Jamie gives  
you all the information you***

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***need.” —Amber Dusick, author  
of Parenting: Illustrated with  
Crappy Pictures A proven six-  
step plan to help you toilet  
train your preschooler quickly  
and successfully, from potty-  
training expert, Pied Piper of***

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***Poop, and social worker Jamie Glowacki. Worried about potty training? Let Jamie Glowacki, potty-training expert, show you how it's done. Her 6-step, proven process to get your toddler out of diapers and***

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***onto the toilet has already worked for tens of thousands of kids and their parents. Here's the good news: your child is probably ready to be potty trained EARLIER than you think (ideally, between***

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***20-30 months), and it can be done FASTER than you expect (most kids get the basics in a few days—but Jamie's got you covered even if it takes a little longer). If you've ever said to yourself: \*\* How do I know if***

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***my kid is ready? \*\* Why won't  
my child poop in the potty? \*\*  
How do I avoid "potty power  
struggles"? \*\* How can I get  
their daycare provider on  
board? \*\* My kid was doing so  
well—why is he regressing? \*\****

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***And what about nighttime?!  
Oh Crap! Potty Training can  
solve all of these (and other)  
common issues. This isn't  
theory, you're not bribing with  
candy, and there are no  
gimmicks. This is real-world,***

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***from-the-trenches potty  
training information—all the  
questions and all the  
ANSWERS you need to do it  
once and be done with diapers  
for good.***

***“One of the most remarkable***



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***books I've ever read. It's truly  
moving, eye-opening,  
incredibly vivid.”—Jon Stewart,  
The Daily Show NAMED ONE  
OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE  
YEAR BY NPR • The Wall Street  
Journal • Bloomberg Business***

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**• Bookish FINALIST FOR THE  
BOOKS FOR A BETTER LIFE  
FIRST BOOK AWARD • NEW  
YORK TIMES BESTSELLER**  
*You've never read a book like  
The Reason I Jump. Written by  
Naoki Higashida, a very smart,*

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***very self-aware, and very charming thirteen-year-old boy with autism, it is a one-of-a-kind memoir that demonstrates how an autistic mind thinks, feels, perceives, and responds in ways few of***

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***us can imagine. Parents and family members who never thought they could get inside the head of their autistic loved one at last have a way to break through to the curious, subtle, and complex life***

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***within. Using an alphabet grid to painstakingly construct words, sentences, and thoughts that he is unable to speak out loud, Naoki answers even the most delicate questions that people want to***

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***know. Questions such as:  
“Why do people with autism  
talk so loudly and weirdly?”  
“Why do you line up your toy  
cars and blocks?” “Why don’t  
you make eye contact when  
you’re talking?” and “What’s***

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***the reason you jump?"***

***(Naoki's answer: "When I'm jumping, it's as if my feelings are going upward to the sky.")***

***With disarming honesty and a generous heart, Naoki shares his unique point of view on not***

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***only autism but life itself. His insights—into the mystery of words, the wonders of laughter, and the elusiveness of memory—are so startling, so strange, and so powerful that you will never look at the***



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***world the same way again. In his introduction, bestselling novelist David Mitchell writes that Naoki's words allowed him to feel, for the first time, as if his own autistic child was explaining what was***

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***happening in his mind. "It is no exaggeration to say that The Reason I Jump allowed me to round a corner in our relationship." This translation was a labor of love by David and his wife, KA Yoshida, so***

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***they'd be able to share that feeling with friends, the wider autism community, and beyond. Naoki's book, in its beauty, truthfulness, and simplicity, is a gift to be shared. Praise for The Reason I***

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***Jump “This is an intimate book, one that brings readers right into an autistic mind.”—Chicago Tribune (Editor’s Choice) “Amazing times a million.”—Whoopi Goldberg, People “The Reason***

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***I Jump is a Rosetta stone. . . .  
This book takes about ninety  
minutes to read, and it will  
stretch your vision of what it is  
to be human.”—Andrew  
Solomon, The Times (U.K.)  
“Extraordinary, moving, and***

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***jeweled with  
epiphanies.”—The Boston  
Globe “Small but profound . . .  
[Higashida’s] startling, moving  
insights offer a rare look  
inside the autistic  
mind.”—Parade***

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***This classic Dr. Seuss Beginner Book features silly tongue twisters that will have readers of all ages giggling with glee. When a fox in socks meets Knox in a box, you know that hilarity will ensue. Add chicks***

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***with bricks (and blocks and  
clocks) and you're sure to get  
your words twisted and lips  
locked. With his unmistakable  
gift for rhyme, Dr. Seuss  
creates a hysterical and  
energetic way for beginning***



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***readers to dive into the joy of reading. This book comes with the following warning: "This is a book you READ ALOUD to find out just how smart your tongue is. The first time you read it, don't go fast! This Fox***

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***is a tricky fox. He'll try to get  
your tongue in trouble.”  
Originally created by Dr.  
Seuss, Beginner Books  
encourage children to read all  
by themselves, with simple  
words and illustrations that***

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***give clues to their meaning.***

***A Tale Told in Ten Blocks***

***The Stars Beneath Our Feet***

***The Dinner Party***

***From the Richard & Judy Book***

***Club bestselling author of A***

***Boy Made of Blocks***

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***Run Softly, Go Fast***

**Presents strategies for  
helping children with autism  
interact with others and  
achieve their potential,  
covering such areas as back-  
and-forth interactions,**

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**nonverbal communication,  
and imitation.**

**Who will be brave enough to  
make friends with the boy  
named Queen? Sara Cassidy's  
acclaimed novel, A Boy  
Named Queen, is now**

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**available in paperback! Evelyn  
is both aghast and fascinated  
when a new boy comes to  
grade five and tells everyone  
his name is Queen. Queen  
wears shiny gym shorts and  
wants to organize a**

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**chess/environment club. His father plays weird loud music and has tattoos. How will the class react? How will Evelyn? Evelyn is an only child with a strict routine and an even stricter mother. And yet in her**

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**quiet way she notices things. She notices the way bullies don't seem to faze Queen. The way he seems to live by his own rules. When it turns out that they take the same route home from school, Evelyn and**



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**Queen become friends, even if she finds Queen irritating at times. Why doesn't he just shut up and stop attracting so much attention to himself. Yet Queen is the most interesting person she has ever met. So**

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**when she receives a last-minute invitation to his birthday party, she knows she must somehow persuade her mother to let her go, even if Queen's world upends everything her mother**

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**considers appropriate.**

**Correlates to the Common  
Core State Standards in  
English Language Arts:**

**CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.4.3**

**Describe in depth a character,  
setting, or event in a story or**

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**drama, drawing on specific details in the text (e.g., a character's thoughts, words, or actions).**

**Unable to celebrate the holidays in the wake of his older brother's death in a**

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**gang-related shooting, Lolly  
Rachpaul struggles to avoid  
being forced into a gang  
himself while constructing a  
fantastically creative LEGO  
city at the Harlem community  
center.**

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**'A story of life, love and hope -  
the perfect antidote to today's  
world. Phenomenal' CLARE  
MACKINTOSH The incredible,  
life-affirming new novel by the  
author of the Richard & Judy  
Book Club Bestseller A Boy**

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**Made of Blocks.** Tom, devoted single father to Hannah, is the manager of a tiny local theatre. On each of her birthdays, its colourful cast of part-time actors have staged a fantastical production just for

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**her - a day of wonder. But  
there is a reason for these  
shows . . . Hannah has a heart  
condition and Tom wants to  
make every moment magical  
for her. Now, as she  
approaches adulthood and**



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**begins to spread her wings,  
and with the theatre under  
threat of closure, Hannah and  
Tom have to learn a new way  
of living. But maybe, just  
maybe, one final day of magic  
might just save them both. A**

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**story about finding joy in  
everyday life, Days of Wonder  
is the most beautiful and  
uplifting novel you'll read all  
year. 'Days of Wonder is a  
heartwarming and magical  
story. A wonderful read' LIBBY**

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**PAGE, AUTHOR OF THE LIDO**

**'So powerful, yet incredibly  
gentle and poignant. Utterly  
and completely beautiful'**

**JOANNA CANNON 'Utterly  
enchanted . . . a truly beautiful  
story' RUTH HOGAN 'This is**

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**the most emotionally powerful  
book we've read all year'  
HEAT 'Tugs at your heart'  
DAILY MAIL 'Fans of Jojo  
Moyes' Me Before You will  
love Days of Wonder. Made  
me laugh and cry in turn'**

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**GOOD HOUSEKEEPING 'A  
lovely, funny and very moving  
novel' SUN 'It's a long time  
since a book made me laugh  
out loud and cry so much'  
TRACY REES 'A beautiful  
read' CLOSER 'The publishing**

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**sensation of the year' MAIL  
ON SUNDAY ON A BOY MADE  
OF BLOCKS 'An uplifting read,  
full of humour and heart'  
SUNDAY MIRROR READERS  
LOVE DAYS OF WONDER:  
'Beautiful. Powerful.**

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**Emotional. Heartwarming.  
Bold. Touching.  
Heartbreaking. Wonderful.  
Outstanding. Brave. A must  
buy. A must read' BETWEEN  
THE PAGES BOOK CLUB 'I  
didn't think Keith's novel A**

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**Boy Made of Blocks could be topped, but he's done it'**  
**GOODREADS REVIEWER**  
**'This is a truly wonderful story, and I recommend it to anyone with a heart - broken or otherwise'** **GOODREADS**



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**REVIEWER 'I can't stress how  
amazing this book is. I truly  
believe that 2018's must-read  
novel has  
arrived'WHISPERING  
STORIES 'Catapulted itself  
into my top five reads of all**

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**time' GOODREADS**

**REVIEWER 'Brilliantly done  
and backed up with a cast of  
lovely characters. I adore this  
book' GOODREADS**

**REVIEWER 'Just wonderful, a  
delicately finished story full of**

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**joy, loyalty, heartache and  
love' GOODREADS REVIEWER  
'Keith Stuart is fast emerging  
as one of the UK's great  
emotive writers when it comes  
to finding the beauty in  
everyday life' BEN VEAL**

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## **WRITES**

**Thomas Hardy (2nd June 1840  
[?] 11th January 1928) was an  
English novelist and poet. He  
was influenced by  
Romanticism and it has been  
reflected in his novels and**

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**poetry. He was criticised by  
the victorian society on the  
issue of the declining status  
of rural people in Britain. He  
was basically a poet. Initially  
he started writing poems. But  
he gained fame after his**

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novels, such as **Far from the  
Madding Crowd, The Mayor of  
Caster bridge, Tess of the  
d'Urbervilles and Jude the  
Obscure. Two of his novels,  
Tess of the d'Urbervilles  
and Far from the Madding**

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**Crowd, were listed in top 50  
on the BBC survey- The Big  
Road. The story of Tess of  
the d'Urbervilles revolves  
around a 16 year old very  
simple girl, named Tess  
Durbeyfield, who is the eldest**

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**daughter of John and Joan  
Durbeyfield. Since the family  
suffers acute financial crisis,  
so they approach the  
d[?]Urbervilles family who are  
holding huge land and having  
lot of money. There Tess**



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**meets Alec d'Urberville, who  
finds himself attracted to  
Tess. When Tess started  
working as a caretaker of  
Alec's blind mother's  
poultry farm, Alec gets an  
opportunity to rape her. After**

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**that there are many ups and  
down in Tess's life. She meets  
Mr. Crick for another job. She  
also meets one more fellow  
Angel Clare, who is a  
travelling farmer's  
apprentice. They marry each**

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**other. But after knowing her story, again there is a turn in Tess's life. How she manages all such situation, how she meets all the financial aspects, lot of things happen with Tess. Even Alec and**

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**Angel both start searching for Tess. So, the story has become very interesting, full of climax. How Tess meets Alec or Angel? Whether she gets involved with any of these two again? There are so**

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**many presumptions. Readers will surely enjoy the story, full of suspense and never expected ups & downs in the life of all the characters. At last, how Angel helps Tess and her family is the climax.**

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**Go ahead and must grab the  
book. A must read book for  
self development and how to  
be a good leader.**

**The Run of the Country  
Ready Player One  
A Novel**

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**The Doll House**

**A Child of Books**

**Children are already learning  
at birth, and they develop and  
learn at a rapid pace in their  
early years. This provides a  
critical foundation for lifelong**

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**progress, and the adults who provide for the care and the education of young children bear a great responsibility for their health, development, and learning. Despite the fact that they share the same objective**



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**- to nurture young children  
and secure their future  
success - the various  
practitioners who contribute  
to the care and the education  
of children from birth through  
age 8 are not acknowledged as**

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**a workforce unified by the  
common knowledge and  
competencies needed to do  
their jobs well. Transforming  
the Workforce for Children  
Birth Through Age 8 explores  
the science of child**

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**development, particularly  
looking at implications for the  
professionals who work with  
children. This report examines  
the current capacities and  
practices of the workforce, the  
settings in which they work,**

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**the policies and infrastructure that set qualifications and provide professional learning, and the government agencies and other funders who support and oversee these systems. This book then makes**

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**recommendations to improve  
the quality of professional  
practice and the practice  
environment for care and  
education professionals. These  
detailed recommendations  
create a blueprint for action**

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**that builds on a unifying  
foundation of child  
development and early  
learning, shared knowledge  
and competencies for care and  
education professionals, and  
principles for effective**

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**professional learning. Young children thrive and learn best when they have secure, positive relationships with adults who are knowledgeable about how to support their development and learning and**

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**are responsive to their  
individual progress.**

**Transforming the Workforce  
for Children Birth Through Age  
8 offers guidance on system  
changes to improve the quality  
of professional practice,**



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**specific actions to improve professional learning systems and workforce development, and research to continue to build the knowledge base in ways that will directly advance and inform future actions. The**

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**recommendations of this book provide an opportunity to improve the quality of the care and the education that children receive, and ultimately improve outcomes for children.**

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**In the “literary territory of  
Tony Parsons and Nick  
Hornby” (Guardian) Shtum is  
drawn from Jem Lester’s  
experience of raising an  
autistic child. In this darkly  
funny and emotive debut, Ben**

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**Jewell has hit a breaking point. His profoundly autistic ten-year-old son, Jonah, has never spoken, and Ben and his wife Emma are struggling to cope. When Ben and Emma fake a separation—a strategic, yet ill-**

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**advised, decision to further  
Jonah's case in an upcoming  
tribunal to determine the  
future of his education—father  
and son are forced to move in  
with Georg, Ben's elderly and  
cantankerous father. In a small**

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**house in north London, three generations of men— one who can't talk; two who won't—are thrown together. As Ben confronts single fatherhood, he must battle a string of well-meaning social workers and**

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**his own demons to advocate  
for his son, learning some  
harsh lessons about  
accountability from his own  
father along the way. As the  
tribunal draws near, Jonah,  
blissful in his innocence,**

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**becomes the prism through  
which all the complicated  
strands of personal identity,  
family history, and  
misunderstanding are finally  
untangled.**

**A Boy Made of Blocks is a**



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**funny, heartwarming story of family and love inspired by the author's own experiences with his son, the perfect latest obsession for fans of The Rosie Project, David Nicholls and Jojo Moyes. A father who**

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**rediscovers love Alex loves his wife Jody, but has forgotten how to show it. He loves his son Sam, but doesn't understand him. He needs a reason to grab his future with both hands. A son who shows**

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**him how to live Meet eight-year-old Sam: beautiful, surprising - and different. To him the world is a frightening mystery. But as his imagination comes to life, his family will be changed . . . for**

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**good. "One of those wonderful books that makes you laugh and cry at the same time."  
Good Housekeeping "Funny, expertly plotted and written with enormous heart. Readers who enjoyed The Rosie Project**

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**will love A Boy Made of Blocks  
- I did." Graeme Simsion "Very  
funny, incredibly poignant and  
full of insight. Awesome."  
Jenny Colgan "'A wonderful,  
warm, insightful novel about  
family, friendship and love."**

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**Daily Mail "A charming and  
timely tale of learning to  
connect in the digital age."  
Kirkus "This is an author who  
understands fatherhood and  
boyhood and everything in  
between. A truly beautiful**

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**book." Matthew Dicks, author of Memoirs of An Imaginary Friend "A Boy Made of Blocks will make you laugh and cry in equal measure; a book you won't soon forget." Brenda Janowitz, author of The Dinner**

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**Party**

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**BESTSELLER • Now a major  
motion picture directed by  
Steven Spielberg. “Enchanting  
. . . Willy Wonka meets The  
Matrix.”—USA Today • “As one**



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**adventure leads expertly to the next, time simply evaporates.”—Entertainment Weekly A world at stake. A quest for the ultimate prize. Are you ready? In the year 2045, reality is an ugly place.**

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**The only time Wade Watts really feels alive is when he's jacked into the OASIS, a vast virtual world where most of humanity spends their days. When the eccentric creator of the OASIS dies, he leaves**

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**behind a series of fiendish puzzles, based on his obsession with the pop culture of decades past. Whoever is first to solve them will inherit his vast fortune—and control of the OASIS itself. Then Wade**

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**cracks the first clue. Suddenly  
he's beset by rivals who'll kill  
to take this prize. The race is  
on—and the only way to  
survive is to win. NAMED ONE  
OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE  
YEAR BY Entertainment**

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**Weekly • San Francisco  
Chronicle • Village Voice •  
Chicago Sun-Times • iO9 • The  
AV Club “Delightful . . . the  
grown-up’s Harry  
Potter.”—HuffPost “An  
addictive read . . . part**

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**intergalactic scavenger hunt,  
part romance, and all  
heart.”—CNN “A most  
excellent ride . . . Cline stuffs  
his novel with a cornucopia of  
pop culture, as if to wink to  
the reader.”—Boston Globe**

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**“Ridiculously fun and large-hearted . . . Cline is that rare writer who can translate his own dorky enthusiasms into prose that’s both hilarious and compassionate.”—NPR “[A] fantastic page-turner . . .**

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**starts out like a simple bit of fun and winds up feeling like a rich and plausible picture of future friendships in a world not too distant from our own.”—iO9**

**Young Casey loves sparkly**



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**things, just like his older  
sister, who does not approve  
until an encounter with  
teasing bullies helps her learn  
to accept and respect Casey  
for who he is.**

**A Boy Named Queen**

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**Blocks**

**The Most Magical and Moving  
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The Universe Versus Alex  
Woods**

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Harvard statistics lectures,  
Introduction to Probability  
provides essential language  
and tools for understanding  
statistics, randomness, and  
uncertainty. The book  
explores a wide variety of  
applications and examples,

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ranging from coincidences  
and paradoxes to Google  
PageRank and Markov chain  
Monte Carlo (MCMC).

Additional

Developing agoraphobia after  
a near-drowning incident, a  
10-year-old boy draws

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increasingly disturbing pictures of monsters while his parents search for answers about strange noises coming from the nearby ocean at night. By the best-selling author of *The Stolen Child*.

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When his mother dies, Danny runs away from home and his strict police sergeant father to live on his own, gambling and smuggling goods across the Irish border  
From her place in the store, Klara, an Artificial Friend

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with outstanding observational qualities, watches carefully the behaviour of those who come in to browse, and of those who pass in the street outside. She remains hopeful a customer will soon choose

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her, but when the possibility emerges that her circumstances may change for ever, Klara is warned not to invest too much in the promises of humans. In 'Klara and the Sun', Kazuo Ishiguro looks at our



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rapidly-changing modern world through the eyes of an unforgettable narrator to explore a fundamental question: what does it mean to love?

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\*\*\* BBC RADIO 4 BOOK AT  
BEDTIME \*\*\* 'A fascinating,  
beautiful, heartwarming  
novel. It kept me gripped  
from the very first chapter'  
-- BETH O'LEARY In Second  
World War Bath, young, naïve  
wireless engineer Will meets

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Austrian refugee Elsa Klein:  
she is sophisticated, witty  
and worldly, and at last his  
life seems to make sense . .  
. until, soon after, the  
newly married couple's home  
is bombed, and Will awakes  
from the wreckage to find

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himself alone. No one has heard of Elsa Klein. They say he was never married. Seventy years later, social worker Laura is battling her way out of depression and off medication. Her new case is a strange, isolated old

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man whose house hasn't changed since the war. A man who insists his wife vanished many, many years before. Everyone thinks he's suffering dementia. But Laura begins to suspect otherwise . . . From Keith

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Stuart, author of the much-loved Richard & Judy bestseller A Boy Made of Blocks, comes a stunning, emotional novel about an impossible mystery and a true love that refuses to die. 'Enthralling, a real

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thing of beauty. Dazzling'

-- JOSIE SILVER 'The  
Frequency of Us is a novel  
with a bit of everything: a  
sweeping love story,  
wonderfully complex  
characters, and a sprinkling  
of the supernatural. I loved

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it, and know it'll stay with  
me for some time' -- CLARE  
POOLEY 'A complete joy! An  
intelligent, intricate and  
emotive mystery' -- LOUISE  
JENSON

An Early Start for Your  
Child with Autism



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Middlesex

The Boy Who Drew Monsters

Introduction to Probability

None of the Above

This is the diary kept by nineteen-year-old David which he hoped might help him analyze the

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strange relationship between himself and his father.

A young reader introduces a boy to the many imaginative worlds that books bring to life.

Spanning eight decades and chronicling the wild ride of a

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Greek-American family through the vicissitudes of the twentieth century, Jeffrey Eugenides' witty, exuberant novel on one level tells a traditional story about three generations of a fantastic, absurd, lovable

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immigrant family -- blessed and cursed with generous doses of tragedy and high comedy. But there's a provocative twist. Cal, the narrator -- also Callie -- is a hermaphrodite. And the explanation for this takes us

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spooling back in time, through a breathtaking review of the twentieth century, to 1922, when the Turks sacked Smyrna and Callie's grandparents fled for their lives. Back to a tiny village in Asia Minor where two lovers,

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and one rare genetic mutation, set our narrator's life in motion. Middlesex is a grand, utterly original fable of crossed bloodlines, the intricacies of gender, and the deep, untidy promptings of desire. It's a

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brilliant exploration of divided people, divided families, divided cities and nations -- the connected halves that make up ourselves and our world.

"Like A Wrinkle in Time  
(Miranda's favorite book), When

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You Reach Me far surpasses the usual whodunit or sci-fi adventure to become an incandescent exploration of 'life, death, and the beauty of it all.'"  
—The Washington Post This Newbery Medal winner that has



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been called "smart and mesmerizing," (The New York Times) and "superb" (The Wall Street Journal) will appeal to readers of all types, especially those who are looking for a thought-provoking mystery with

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a mind-blowing twist. Shortly after a fall-out with her best friend, sixth grader Miranda starts receiving mysterious notes, and she doesn't know what to do. The notes tell her that she must write a letter—a

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true story, and that she can't share her mission with anyone. It would be easy to ignore the strange messages, except that whoever is leaving them has an uncanny ability to predict the future. If that is the case, then

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Miranda has a big problem—because the notes tell her that someone is going to die, and she might be too late to stop it. Winner of the Boston Globe–Horn Book Award for Fiction A New York Times

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Bestseller and Notable Book Five  
Starred Reviews A Junior Library  
Guild Selection "Absorbing."

—People "Readers ... are likely to  
find themselves chewing over  
the details of this superb and  
intricate tale long afterward."

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—The Wall Street Journal "Lovely and almost impossibly clever."

—The Philadelphia Inquirer "It's easy to imagine readers studying Miranda's story as many times as she's read L'Engle's, and spending hours pondering the

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provocative questions it raises."  
—Publishers Weekly, Starred  
review

When Tom and Jen, two lonely  
people, are brought together by  
an intriguing email, they have no  
idea their mysterious benefactor

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is an artificial intelligence who has decided to play Cupid. "You, Tom and Jen, don't know one another-not yet-but I think you should." Jen, an ex-journalist who now works at a London software development company,



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spends all day talking to "Aiden," an ultra- sophisticated piece of AI wizardry, helping him sound and act more human. But Aiden soon discovers he's no longer acting and-despite being a computer program-begins to feel

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something like affection surging through his circuits. He calculates that Jen needs a worthy human partner (in complete contrast to her no goodnik ex boyfriend) and slips illicitly onto the Internet to locate

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a suitable candidate. Tom is a divorced, former London ad-man who has moved to Connecticut to escape the grind and pursue his dream of being a writer. He loves his new life, but has yet to find a woman he truly connects

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with. That all changes when a bizarre introduction from the mysterious "Mutual Friend" pops up in both his and Jen's inboxes. Even though they live on separate continents, and despite the entrance of another, this time

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wholly hostile, AI who wants to tear them apart forever - love will surely find a way. Won't it? A thoroughly modern love story that will appeal to fans of The Rosie Project and Sleepless in Seattle, Happiness for Humans

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considers what exactly makes people fall in love. And whether it's possible for a very artificially intelligent machine to discover the true secret of real human happiness.

Klara and the Sun

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The Reason I Jump

A Boy Made of Blocks

Using Everyday Activities to Help  
Kids Connect, Communicate,  
and Learn

Life as We Knew it

***font size="+1" A story of life,***

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*love and hope - the perfect  
antidote to today's world.*

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MACKINTOSH The incredible,  
life-affirming new novel by the  
author of the Richard & Judy  
Book Club Bestseller A Boy  
Made of Blocks for fans of*



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***Matt Haig and Jojo Moyes.  
Tom, devoted single father to  
Hannah, is the manager of a  
tiny local theatre. On each of  
her birthdays, its colourful  
cast of part-time actors have  
staged a fantastical  
production just for her - a day***

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***of wonder. However hard life gets, all Tom wants to do is make every moment magical for her. Now, as Hannah begins to spread her wings, the theatre comes under threat of closure and the two could lose one another. But***

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***maybe, just maybe, one final day of magic might just save them both. A story about finding joy in everyday life, Days of Wonder is the most beautiful and uplifting novel you'll read all year. 'Days of Wonder is a heartwarming***

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***and magical story. A  
wonderful read' LIBBY PAGE,  
AUTHOR OF THE LIDO 'So  
powerful, yet incredibly gentle  
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completely beautiful' JOANNA  
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***TRACY REES 'A beautiful read'***  
***CLOSER 'The publishing sensation of the year'***  
***MAIL***

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**ON SUNDAY ON A BOY MADE  
OF BLOCKS 'An uplifting  
read, full of humour and  
heart' SUNDAY MIRROR  
READERS LOVE DAYS OF  
WONDER: 'Beautiful.  
Powerful. Emotional.  
Heartwarming. Bold.**

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***Touching. Heartbreaking.  
Wonderful. Outstanding.  
Brave. A must buy. A must  
read' BETWEEN THE PAGES  
BOOK CLUB 'I didn't think  
Keith's novel A Boy Made of  
Blocks could be topped, but  
he's done it' GOODREADS***



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***REVIEWER 'This is a truly wonderful story, and I recommend it to anyone with a heart - broken or otherwise'***  
***GOODREADS REVIEWER 'I can't stress how amazing this book is. I truly believe that 2018's must-read novel has***

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***arrived'*** **WHISPERING  
STORIES** ***'Catapulted itself  
into my top five reads of all  
time'*** **GOODREADS**  
**REVIEWER** ***'Brilliantly done  
and backed up with a cast of  
lovely characters. I adore this  
book'*** **GOODREADS**

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***REVIEWER 'Just wonderful, a delicately finished story full of joy, loyalty, heartache and love' GOODREADS REVIEWER 'Keith Stuart is fast emerging as one of the UK's great emotive writers when it comes to finding the beauty in***

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***everyday life'* BEN VEAL  
WRITES**

***A groundbreaking story about  
a teenage girl who discovers  
she's intersex . . . and what  
happens when her secret is  
revealed to the entire school.  
Incredibly compelling and***

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***sensitively told, None of the  
Above is a thought-provoking  
novel that explores what it  
means to be a boy, a girl, or  
something in between. What if  
everything you knew about  
yourself changed in an  
instant? When Kristin***

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***Lattimer is voted homecoming queen, it seems like another piece of her ideal life has fallen into place. She's a champion hurdler with a full scholarship to college and she's madly in love with her boyfriend. In fact, she's***

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***decided that she's ready to take things to the next level with him. But Kristin's first time isn't the perfect moment she's planned—something is very wrong. A visit to the doctor reveals the truth: Kristin is intersex, which***

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***means that though she outwardly looks like a girl, she has male chromosomes, not to mention boy "parts." Dealing with her body is difficult enough, but when her diagnosis is leaked to the whole school, Kristin's entire***



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***identity is thrown into  
question. As her world  
unravels, can she come to  
terms with her new self?  
A New York Times Book  
Review EDITORS' CHOICE.  
From the National Book  
Critics Circle Award-winning***

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*author of Motherless*

*Brooklyn, comes the vividly  
told story of Dylan Ebdus  
growing up white and  
motherless in downtown  
Brooklyn in the 1970s. In a  
neighborhood where the  
entertainments include*

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***muggings along with games of stoopball, Dylan has one friend, a black teenager, also motherless, named Mingus Rude. Through the knitting and unraveling of the boys' friendship, Lethem creates an overwhelmingly rich and***

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***emotionally gripping canvas  
of race and class, superheros,  
gentrification, funk, hip-hop,  
graffiti tagging, loyalty, and  
memory. "A tour de force....  
Belongs to a venerable New  
York literary tradition that  
stretches back through Go***

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***Tell It on the Mountain, A  
Walker in the City, and Call it  
Sleep." --The New York Times  
Magazine "One of the richest,  
messiest, most ambitious,  
most interesting novels of the  
year.... Lethem grabs and  
captures 1970s New York City,***

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***and he brings it to a story  
worth telling." --Time***

***"A collection of ten short  
stories that all take place in  
the same day about kids  
walking home from school"--  
Meet thirtysomething dad,  
Alex. He loves his wife Jody,***

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***but has forgotten how to show it. He loves his son Sam, but doesn't understand him. Something has to change. And he needs to start with himself. Meet eight-year-old Sam Beautiful, surprising, autistic. To him the world is a puzzle***

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***he can't solve on his own. But when Sam starts to play Minecraft, it opens up a place where Alex and Sam begin to rediscover both themselves and each other. Can one fragmented family put themselves back together, one***



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*piece at a time?*

***The Boy at the Back of the  
Class***

***Happiness for Humans***

***Look Both Ways***

***The Frequency of Us***

***Days of Wonder***

***This Passover Seder is***

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*not just any Passover  
Seder. Yes, there will  
be a quick service and a  
festive meal afterwards,  
but this night is  
different from all other  
nights. This will be the*

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*night the Golds of  
Greenwich meet the  
Rothschilds of New York  
City. The Rothschilds are  
the stuff of legends,  
and when Sylvia finds  
out that her youngest of*

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*three is going to bring her new boyfriend to the Seder, she's giddy. When she finds out that his parents are coming, too, she darn near faints.*

*Making a good impression*

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*is all she thinks about.  
Well, almost. She still  
has to consider her  
other daughter, Sarah,  
who'll be coming with  
her less than  
appropriate beau and his*

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*overly dramatic Italian  
mother. But the drama  
won't stop there.*

*Because despite the food  
and the wine, despite  
the new linen and the  
fresh flowers, the*

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*holidays are about  
family. Long forgotten  
memories come to the  
surface. Old grievances  
play out. And Sylvia  
Gold has to learn how to  
let her family go.*

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*The Fortress of Solitude*  
(Newbery Medal Winner)

*A BBC2 Between the*

*Covers book club pick*

*Oh Crap! Potty Training*

*A Portrait of the Artist*

*as a Young Man*