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Mothman Is My Boyfriend

By McKayla Coyle

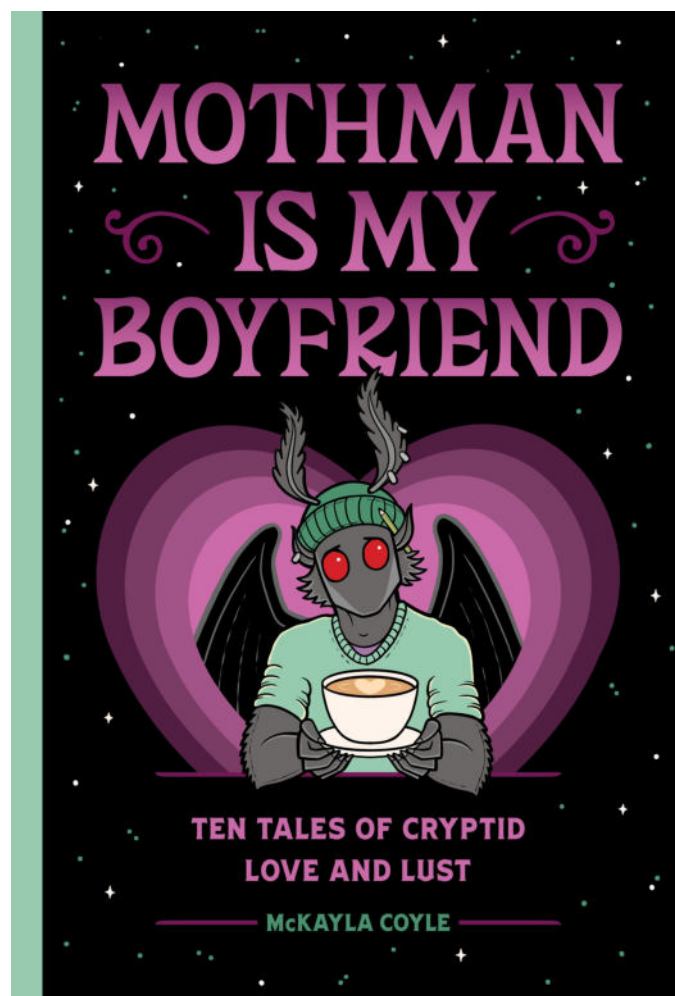
Welcome to Cryptid Creek, a hidden place full of undiscovered creatures, from yetis to lake monsters. Only certain humans can find their way here, but when they do stumble in, they can't resist the allure of this cozy locale—or its fascinating citizens.

Join the humans of this inclusive fantasy community as they hit the skate park with nightcrawlers, wander the botanical garden with the Jersey Devil, and go on other dream dates that offer new spins on classic romance tropes. Stories include:

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- A second-chance ex drama with the Michigan Dogman
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If you loved *Legends and Lattes* and *That Time I Got Drunk and Yeeted a Love Potion at a Werewolf*, get ready to dust off your cryptozoology equipment and put on your cutest outfit—because monster-lovers, misfits, and cryptid fans will never want to leave this mountain town.

McKAYLA COYLE (they/them) is a lesbian writer from Anchorage, Alaska and the author of *Goblin Mode: How to Get Cozy, Embrace Imperfection, and Thrive in the Muck*. They're the engagement editor for Literary Hub, and they hold an MFA in fiction from The New School. In their free time they read fantasy novels and make a lot of jam.



FALL IN LOVE WITH A SECRET TOWN
AND ITS MYSTERIOUS INHABITANTS IN TEN
CHARMING TALES OF HUMAN-CRYPTID ROMANCE,
FROM THE AUTHOR OF *GOBLIN MODE*.

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GOBLIN MODE
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“Fake dating + reality TV drama + murder mystery = an absolutely addictive read.”

—Mia P. Manansala, author of the award-winning *Arsenic and Adobo*

Alice Chen's Reality Check

By Kara Loo and Jennifer Young

In this page-turning murder mystery perfect for fans of *Dial A for Aunties*, a reality TV contestant must fake date her rival as bodies pile up and the show spirals out of control. Can Alice crack the case . . . and confront her true feelings?

Alice Chen doesn't believe in true love, but she does believe in cold, hard cash. Buckling under the weight of student debt and her mother's medical bills, Alice will do anything to make bank—even star on *Dawn Tay's Inferno*, the hot new reality TV show designed to push couples to their breaking point.

The show is Alice's chance to sip cocktails on the beach and win a cash prize of a million dollars. But when her fiancé cheats on her with another contestant, Alice is faced with a choice: go home in defeat or fake date the other newly single contestant—who just so happens to be her high school rival and sworn nemesis, Daniel Cho.

But all's fair in love and reality TV, and Alice isn't the only one who will do whatever it takes to win. When a dead body turns up, Alice and Daniel are faced with uncovering the secrets of the cast and crew to catch the killer—all while playing the loving couple on camera. Starring a murder mystery twist, plenty of reality show drama, and a thrilling romance, this debut by up-and-coming Asian American writer duo Kara Loo and Jennifer Young is the ultimate beach read.



KARA LOO is a game writer and reality TV fan who can be found enjoying afternoon tea whenever possible.



JENNIFER YOUNG is a game writer, avid romance reader, and Dungeons & Dragons adventurer.

Together, Loo and Young's game writing credits include hit interactive fiction games *Surviving High School* from Electronic Arts, and *High School Story*, *Hollywood U*, and *Choices: Stories You Play* from Pixelberry Studios. They have been writing together since high school, when they plotted out stories at slumber parties over mugs of hot chocolate.

“Alice Chen is a funny, clever, and determined guide through this upside-down world of chaos, ambition, trust, and love.”

—Elizabeth Mazer, *BookPage*

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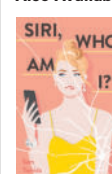
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SIRI WHO AM, I?
By Sam Tschida

Death in the Downline

A Multi-Level Marketing Murder Mystery

By Maria Abrams

It's multi-level *murder* in this darkly funny mystery novel about the glamorous world of direct-selling MLM* "huns"—and the dangerous secrets at the top of the pyramid.

Drew thought she was destined to become a star journalist in New York City. But now she's back in New Jersey, pushing thirty, newly single, and living with her father..

After a chance encounter, she reconnects with her former best friend, Steph, who married young and never left their hometown. But Steph looks . . . good. She's tanned, glowing, and only wears designer labels. Her secret? A skincare sales opportunity called LuminUS. With nothing left to lose, Drew gets sucked into this glamorous world of downlines, sales parties, and girls' trips.

But when a LuminUS distributor is found dead, Drew must uncover the dark secret at the heart of the organization—and save her best friend—before it's too late.

Gripping, wickedly funny, and a pitch-perfect skewering of pyramid schemes, *Death in the Downline* is a page-turner that will have readers cheering for Drew until the cathartic conclusion.



MARIA ABRAMS is a mystery/thriller/horror novelist who lives in Colorado with her rescue frogs and dogs. She has a graduate degree in psychology and is a graphic designer by day. Maria is also a member of the Horror Writers' Association and a regular attendee at Stokercon.

"Abrams perfectly skewers the MLM movement. . . . A funny, spot-on mystery that will appeal to genre fans and MLM-skeptics."
—Booklist

"Equal parts entertaining and unsettling, *Death in the Downline* is a page-turner that expertly shines a light on the dark world of MLMs and social media. . . . This is a mystery that feels as compelling as it does timely."

—Olivia Muenter, best-selling author of *Such a Bad Influence*

"Abrams perfectly skewers the MLM movement. . . . A funny, spot-on mystery that will appeal to genre fans and MLM-skeptics."
—Booklist

*MLM = MULTI-LEVEL MARKETING/DIRECT SELLING COMPANY
SUCH AS HERBALIFE, ORIFLAME, AMWAY, OR NUSKIN



"DEATH IN THE DOWNLINE IS ENTERTAINING, FUNNY, AND PAGE-TURNING."

—Emily Lynn Paulson, author of *Hey, Hun*

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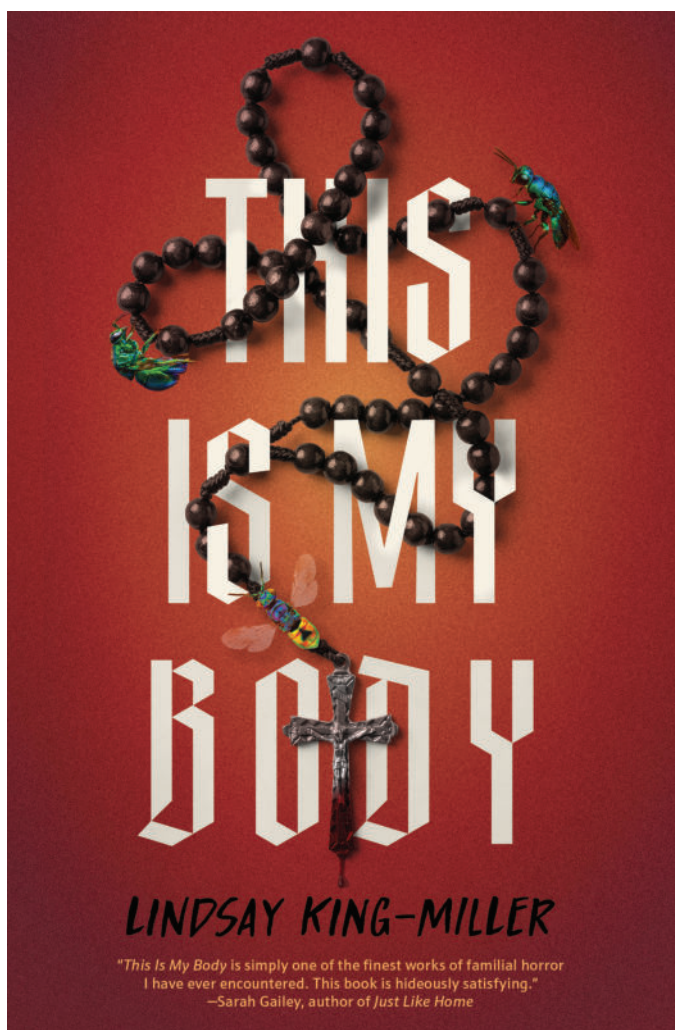
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A gripping, emotional, and darkly funny queer horror novel about family trauma and possession, for fans of Rachel Harrison and Catriona Ward.

This Is My Body

By Lindsay King-Miller

Brigid thought she'd escaped her strict religious upbringing—but the demons aren't done with her yet.

Gay single mom Brigid always thought that cutting ties with her extremist Catholic family was the best thing she could have done for her daughter Dylan—and for herself. But when Dylan starts having terrifying fits of unnatural violence, Brigid can't shake her memories of a girl from her childhood who behaved the same way . . . until Brigid's uncle, Father Angus, performed an exorcism.

Convinced that her daughter is suffering from demonic possession, Brigid does the thing she told herself she'd never do: she goes home. Father Angus is the worst person she knows, but he's also the only person who can help her daughter.

But as Brigid starts to uncover secrets about Father Angus, that long-ago exorcism, and her family's past, she realizes that she and Dylan have never been in more danger.

This Is My Body is a piercing journey into religious trauma and childhood shame, building towards a heart-pounding twisty climax that will spin your head all the way around.



LINDSAY KING-MILLER is the author of *The Z Word* and *Ask A Queer Chick: A Guide to Sex, Love, and Life for Girls Who Dig Girls*. Her fiction has appeared in *The Fiends in the Furrows*, *Tiny Nightmares*, *The Jewish Book of Horror*, *Fireside Fiction*, *Baffling* magazine, and numerous other publications. She lives in Denver with her partner and their two children.

"The line between homage and pastiche is sharp and dangerous, but King-Miller walks it with grace in *This Is My Body*, a demonic possession story in the vein of *The Exorcist*. . . Effective, straightforward storytelling and great attention to emotions make this sad and often horrific novel King-Miller's finest work to date."

—Gabino Iglesias, *New York Times*

"*This Is My Body* is simply one of the finest works of familial horror I have ever encountered. This book is hideously satisfying."

—Sarah Gailey, author of *Just Like Home*

"A brutal, brilliant story of motherhood, memory, and religion, deviously simple and terribly clever. King-Miller has become one of my must-read authors."

—Gretchen Felker-Martin, author of *Cuckoo*

Subject:

Fiction - Horror - Occult & Supernatural
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Crafting for Sinners

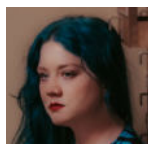
By Jenny Kiefer

The ratcheting tension and gut-churning terror will appeal to fans of *Camp Damascus* by Chuck Tingle and *Horrorstör* by Grady Hendrix

Ruth is trapped. She's stuck in her small, religious hometown of Kill Devil, Kentucky, stuck in the closet, and stuck living paycheck to paycheck. After her manager finds out that she lives with her girlfriend, Ruth is fired from her job as a cashier at New Creations—a craft store owned by the church that dominates life in Kill Devil.

In an act of revenge, Ruth attempts to shoplift some yarn but is caught red-handed. Instead of calling the police, the employees lock her in the store—and attack her. As Ruth fights for her life using only the crafting supplies at hand, she plunges deeper into the tangled web of the New Creationists, who are hiding a terrible secret that threatens not only her but the entire town.

Urgent, scathing, and utterly original, *Crafting for Sinners* cements Kiefer's status as a dazzling new star in horror.



JENNY KIEFER is a Kentucky native and an avid rock climber. Together with her mother, she is the owner and manager of Butcher Cabin Books, an all-horror bookstore in Louisville, Kentucky. She is also the author of *This Wretched Valley*.

"You will compulsively turn these pages well into the dead of night."

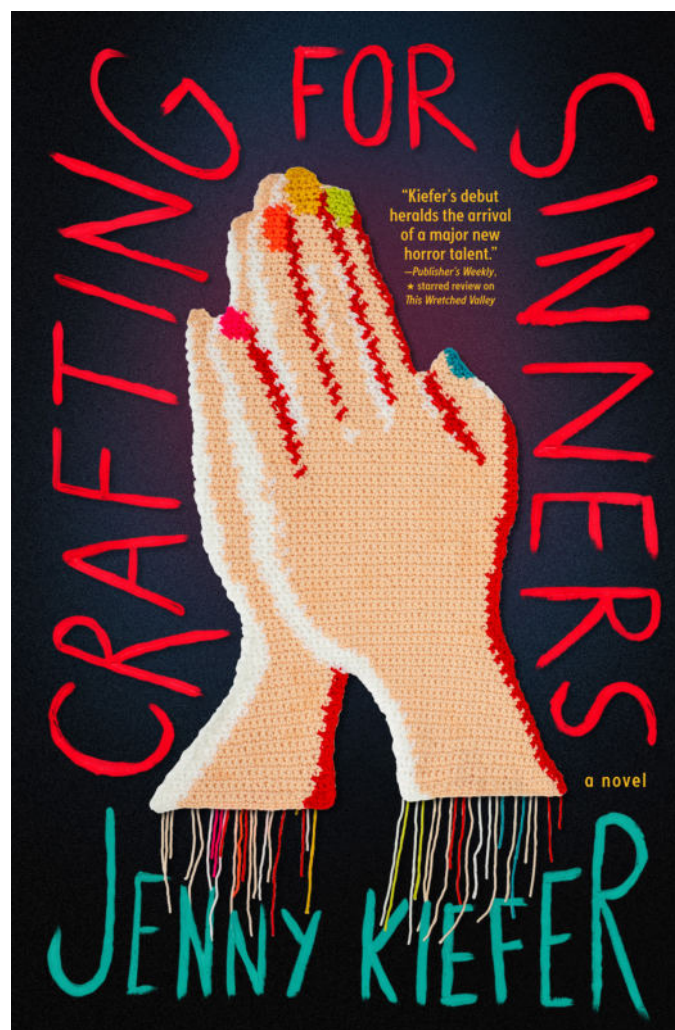
—Paul Tremblay, *New York Times* best-selling author of *Horror Movie* and *The Cabin at the End of the World*

"Crafting for Sinners is like a deranged, hellish variant of Die Hard except instead it's a gay woman trapped inside a craft store run by an evangelical nightmare cult. It's surreal, terrifying, thrilling, and looks right down the barrel at the cultural horrors at the center of our current era."

—Chuck Wendig, *New York Times* best-selling author of *The Book of Accidents* and *The Staircase in the Woods*

"Suspenseful, of the moment, and bloodthirsty as all hell, Jenny Kiefer's Crafting for Sinners is the kind of book we need these days."

—Nick Cutter, author of *The Troop* and *The Deep*



A queer woman must fight her way out of a craft store run by a megachurch in this gripping survival horror novel by Jenny Kiefer, author of *This Wretched Valley*

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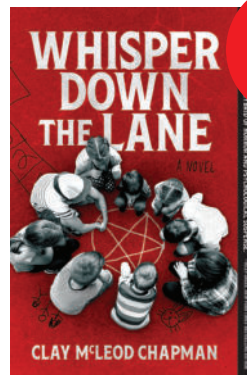
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Inspired by a true story, this supernatural thriller for fans of horror and true crime follows a tale as it evolves every twenty years—with terrifying results.

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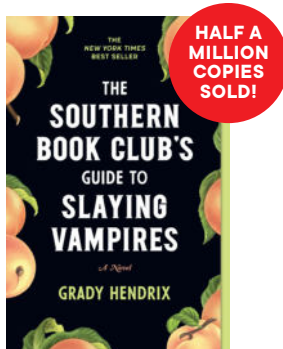
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Enter The Award-Winning World of Grady Hendrix.



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MY BEST FRIEND'S EXORCISM

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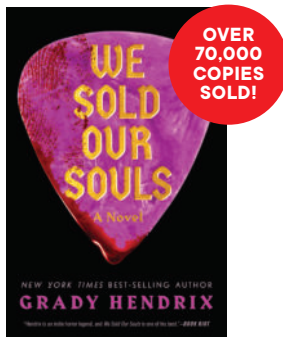
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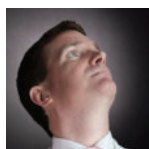
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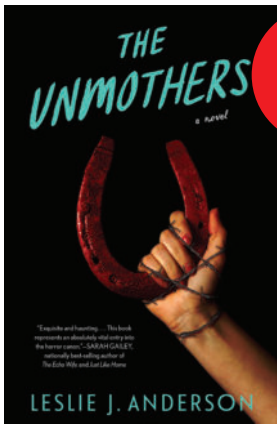
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Film/TV: Under option to New Republic

Publication Date: September 2014



GRADY HENDRIX is an award-winning novelist and screenwriter living in New York City. He is the author of several *New York Times* best sellers including *How to Sell a Haunted House*, *The Final Girl Support Group*, *The Southern Book Club's Guide to Slaying Vampires*, and many more. His books have been translated into more than twenty languages and sold over two million copies. He also writes nonfiction, and his history of the horror paperback boom of the seventies and eighties, *Paperbacks from Hell*, won the Bram Stoker Award for Superior Achievement in Nonfiction.



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THE UNMOTHERS

By Leslie J. Anderson

A New York Times Best Horror Book of 2024

“An impressive debut, an intricate and unsettling narrative about desperation that is full of stellar writing.”

—Gabino Iglesias, *New York Times*

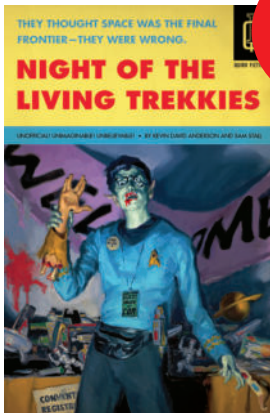
In this raw and lyrical folk horror novel, a journalist sent to a small town begins to unravel a dark secret that the women of the town have been keeping for generations.

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NIGHT OF THE LIVING TREKKIES

By Kevin David Anderson and Sam Stall

“Night of the Living Trekkies can be enjoyed as a standalone story by ANY zombie or Star Trek fan, and while pre-existing knowledge of the Star Trek universe or the nature of zombies is helpful in places, it is definitely not required.”—*ScienceFiction.com*

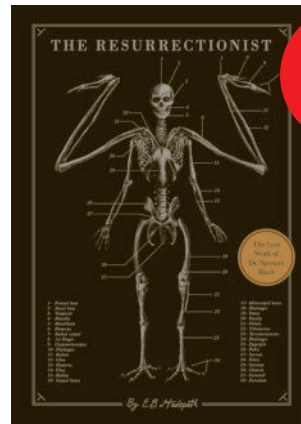
A disillusioned war vet must lead a crew of Trekkies through a zombie outbreak at a sci-fi convention in this bloody, fandom-fueled fight for survival.

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THE RESURRECTIONIST

By E. B. Hudspeth

“Disturbingly lovely . . . a cabinet of curiosities, stitching history and mythology and sideshow into an altogether different creature.”

—Erin Morgenstern, author of *The Night Circus*

Discover a nineteenth-century Philadelphia surgeon's lost codex and his macabre quest to prove a controversial hypothesis by any means necessary in this dark fantasy book.

Part stunning coffee table art book, part fictional biography, this gaslamp bestiary features grotesquely detailed anatomical illustrations and a chilling horror novella.

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SECRET SANTA

By Andrew Schaffer

“Shaffer writes with a keen eye for the tropes of the genre but also a sharply ironic sense of humour . . . provides chuckles and chills in equal measure.”—*Financial Times*

The Office meets Stephen King, dressed up in holiday tinsel, in this fun, festive, and frightening horror-comedy set during the horror publishing boom of the '80s, by *New York Times* best-selling satirist Andrew Schaffer.

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With an approaching asteroid on a collision course with Earth, the end of the world is just months away. But as civilization frays at the edges, police detective Hank Palace is determined to stay on the job and investigate the crimes everyone ignores. A police procedural set on the brink of the apocalypse, the series asks: What really matters when the world is ending?



THE LAST POLICEMAN

By Ben H. Winters

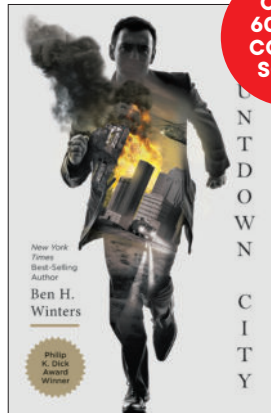
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COUNTDOWN CITY

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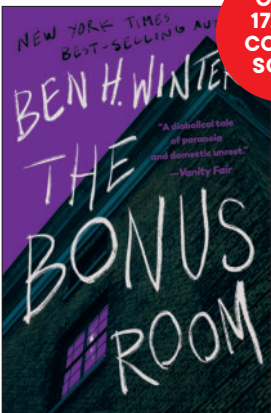
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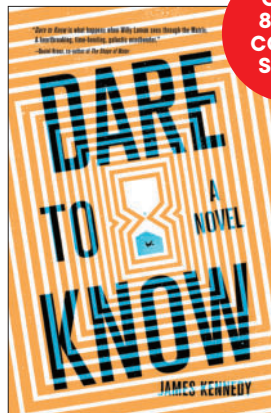
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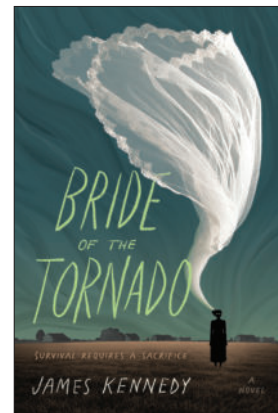
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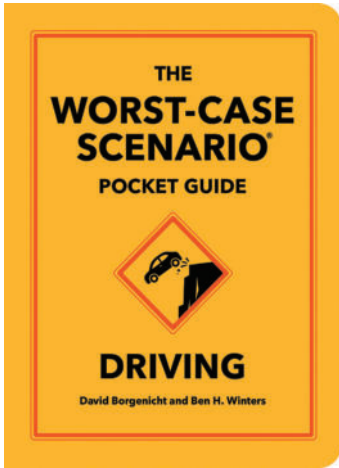
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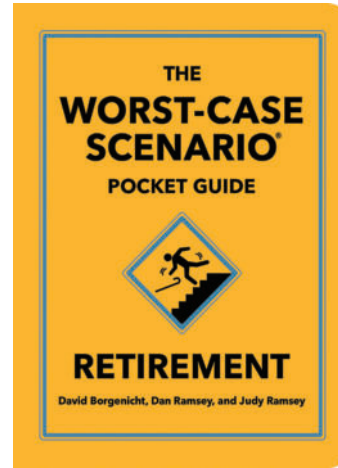
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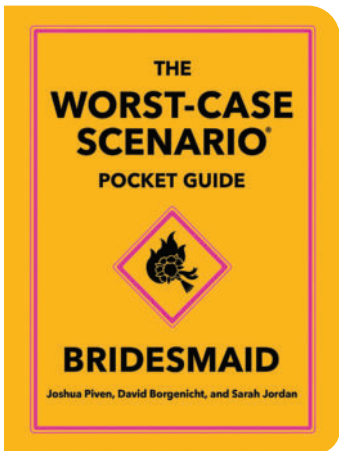
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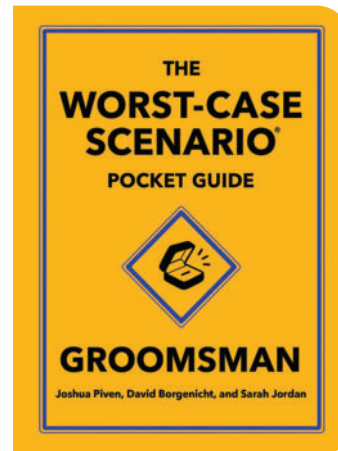
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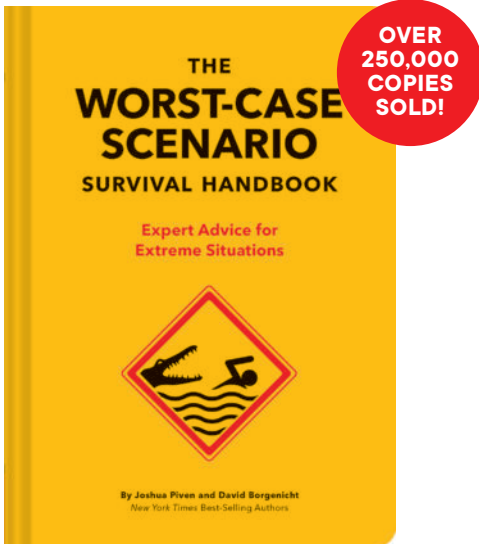
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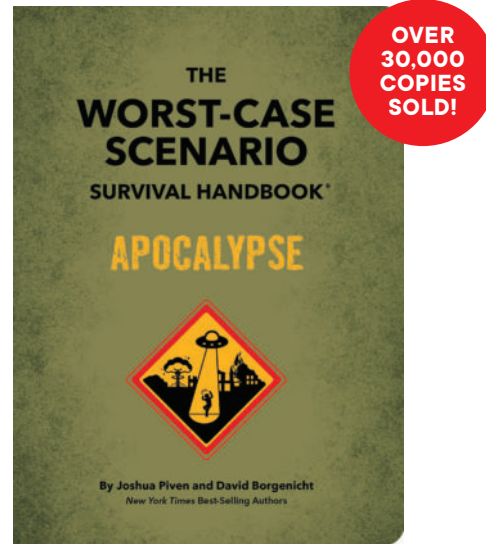
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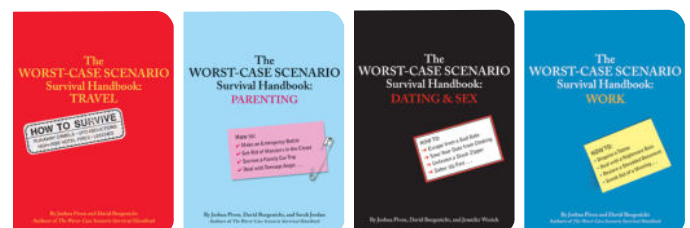


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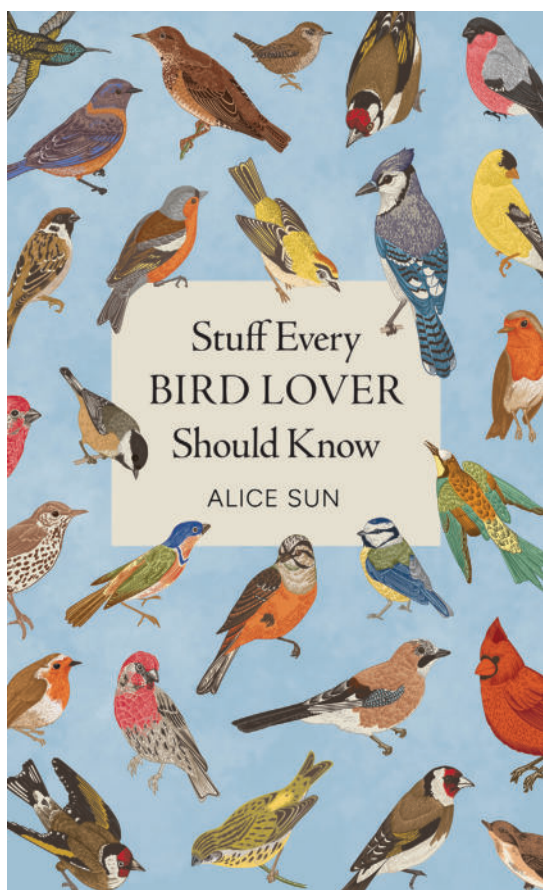
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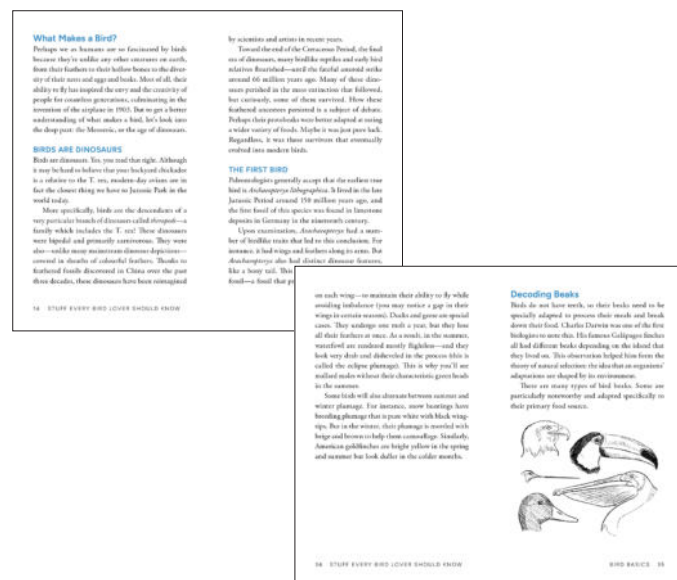
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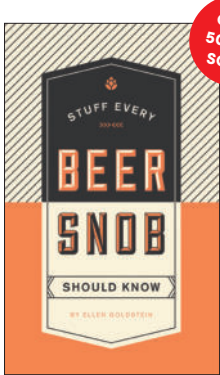
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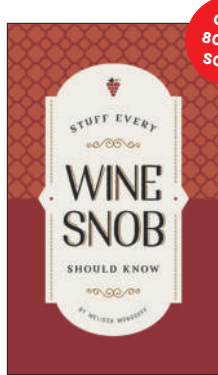
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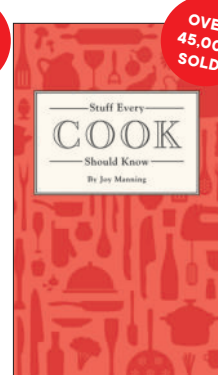
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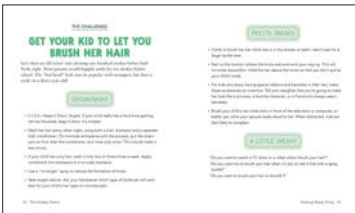
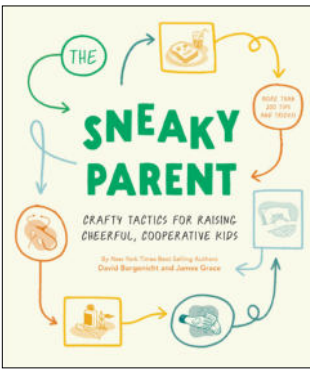
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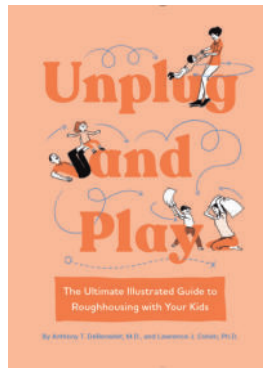
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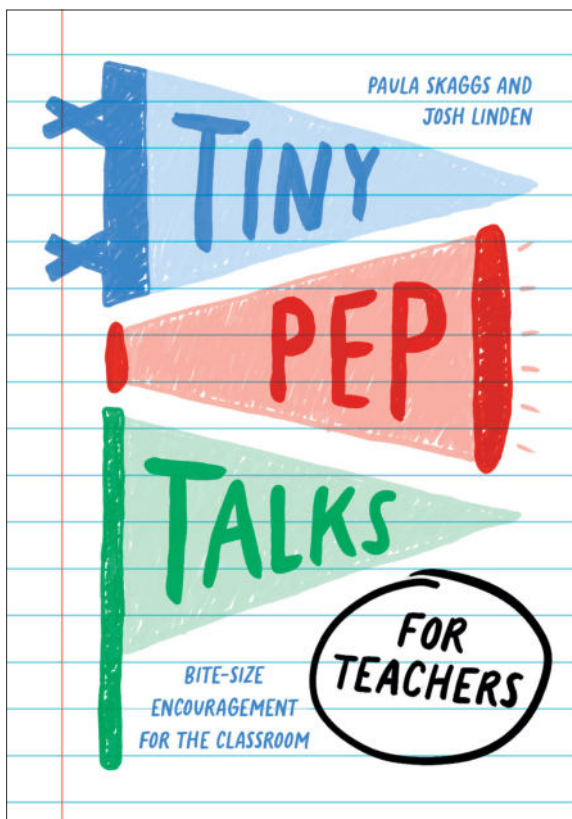
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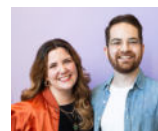
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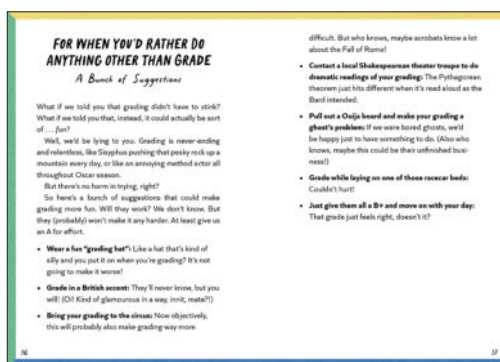
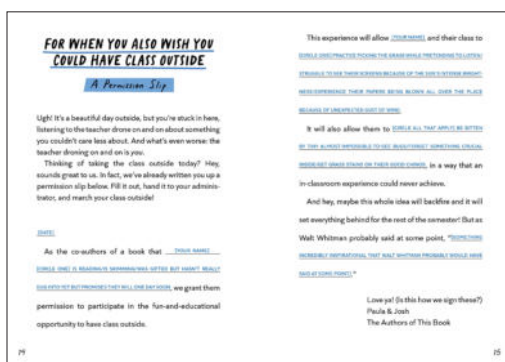
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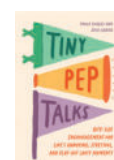


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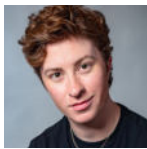
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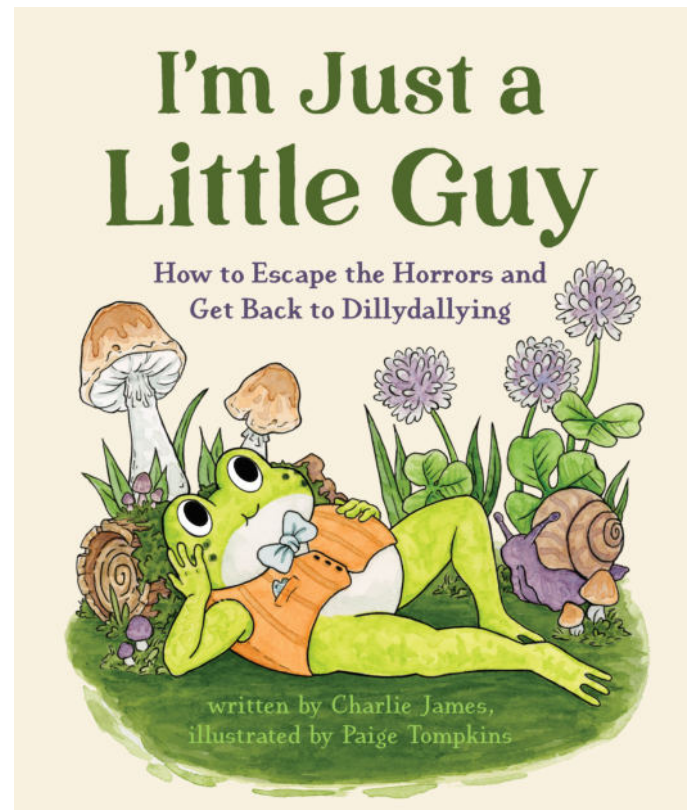
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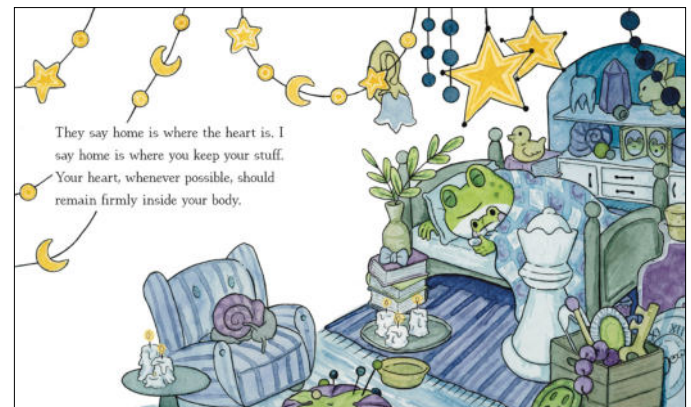
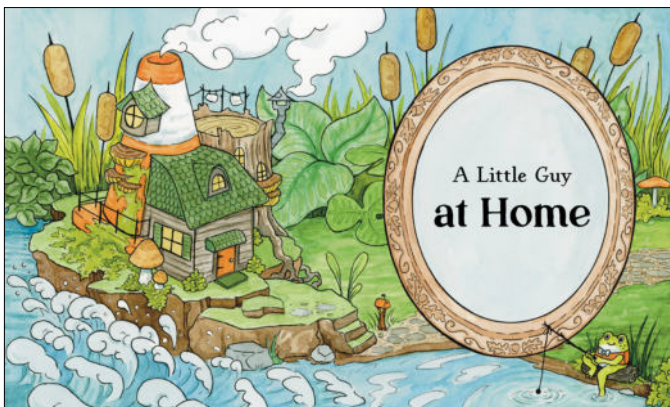
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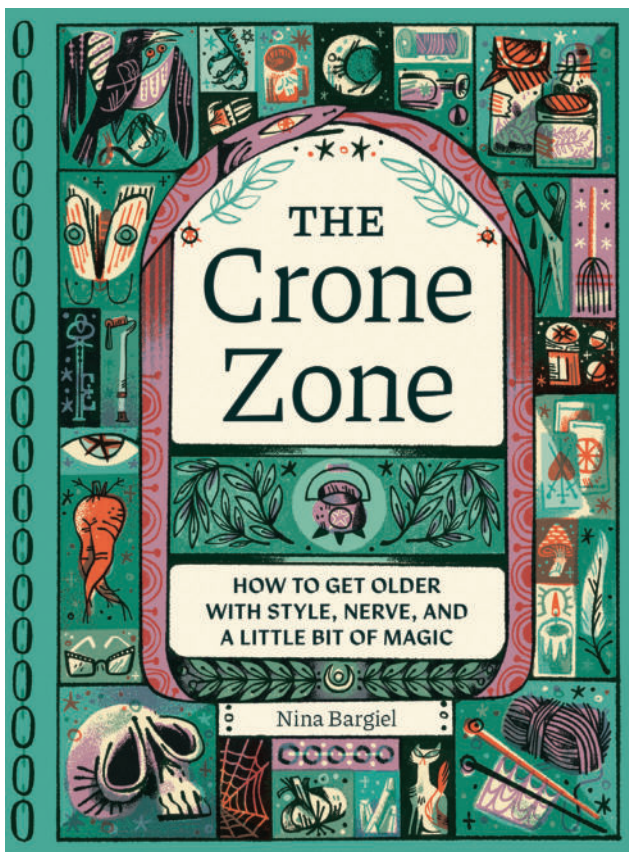
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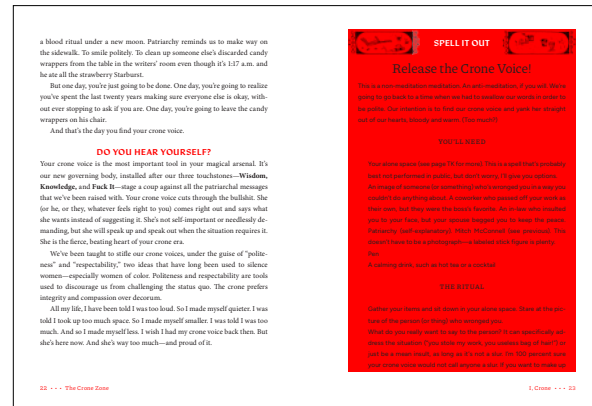
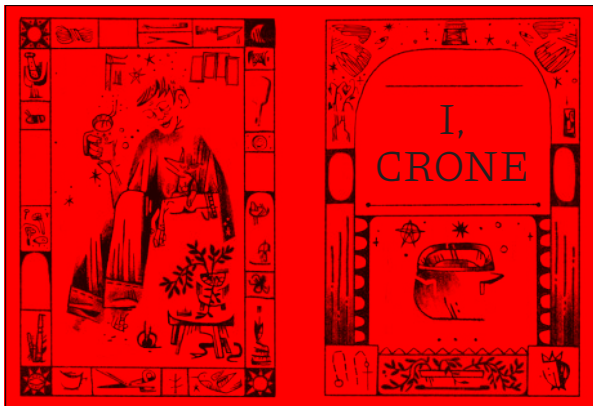
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Leaving the Ocean Was a Mistake

Life Lessons from Sixty Sea Creatures

By Cara Giaimo

If you sometimes wish to simply sink back into the depths of the ocean, great news—the strange little guys who still live down there will receive you with open arms (and fins, claws, and tentacles). But if you're not quite ready to take to the sea, they've also got some solid advice for those cursed to live on solid ground.

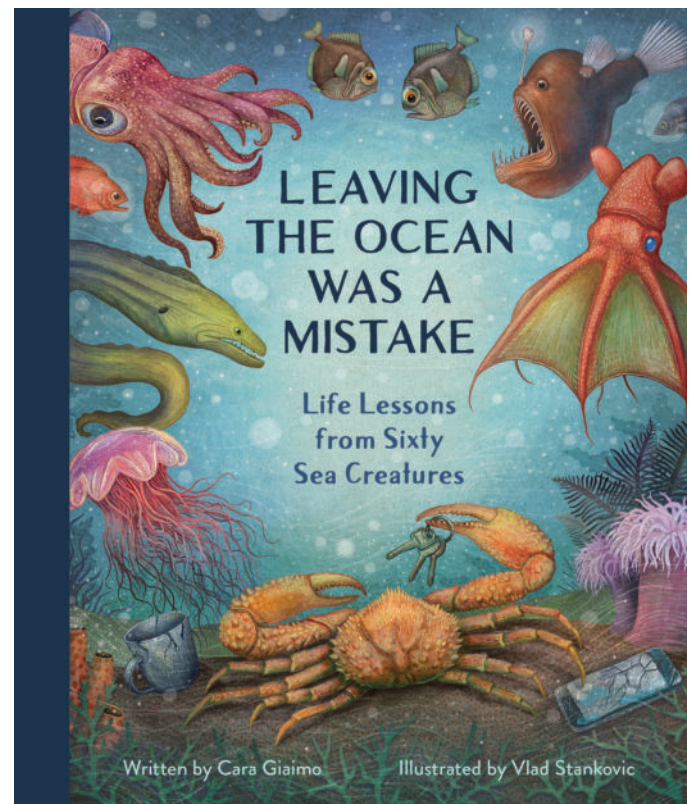
In *Leaving the Ocean Was a Mistake*, Earth's weirdest sea creatures offer their favorite tips for improving your life on land.

- The star tunicate, who avoids anxiety—by digesting its own brain
- The gloomy octopus, who asserts its boundaries—by throwing dirt at anyone who bothers it
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- The fanfin anglerfish, which expresses love—by fusing with its mate
- And more wonderfully wacky undersea weirdos who really know how to live!

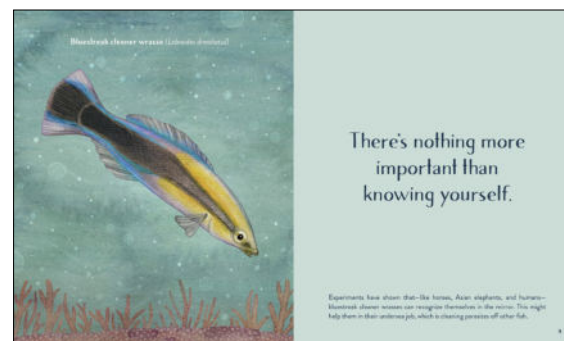
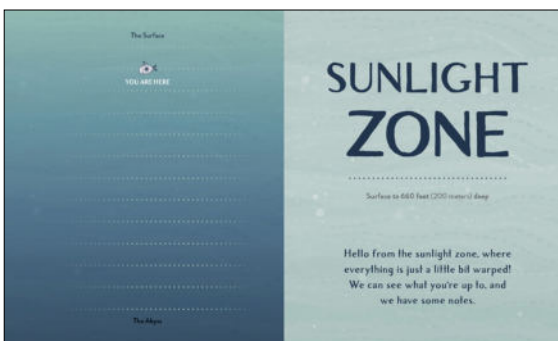
Beautifully illustrated with charming watercolor portraits of the ocean's most eccentric creatures, *Leaving the Ocean Was a Mistake* may make you long to return to the sea—but it will also help you bring a freewheeling, relaxed, self-actualized ocean spirit to even the driest life.

CARA GIAIMO is a science journalist who loves writing about our fellow species. You can find her work in the *New York Times*, *Atlas Obscura*, *The Plant*, and elsewhere. Cara lives in Somerville, MA, above sea level.

VLAD STANKOVIC is an illustrator and graphic designer based in Sydney, Australia. His inspiration comes from science and nature on one hand, and fantasy, fairy tales, and all sorts of mysteries on the other. Created with both digital and traditional media, his illustrations can be seen published in picture books, greeting cards, and other stationery products worldwide.



Sixty bizarre and beautiful marine creatures offer their best tips for self-confidence, serenity, and fulfillment—drawn from real-life facts about our fascinating natural world.



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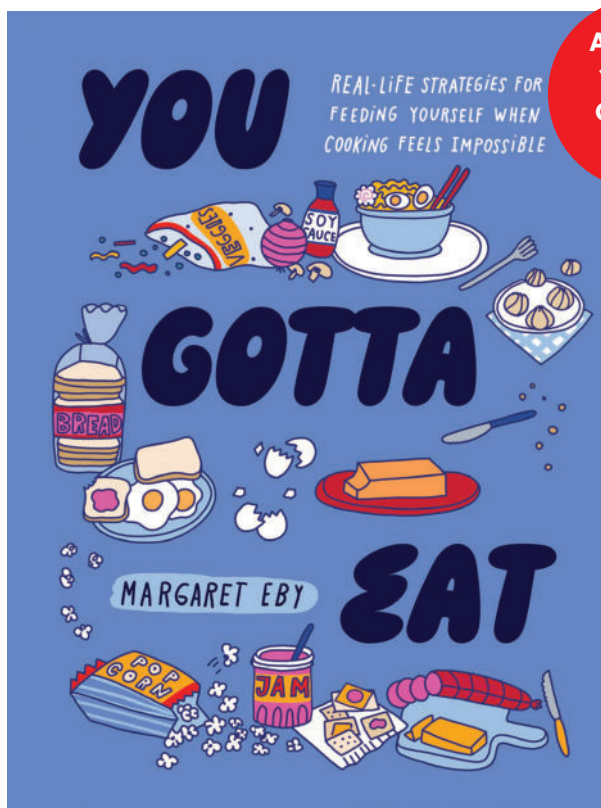
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A trained chef teaches you how to keep yourself fed—and maybe even enjoy it!—in the face of stress, burnout, and exhaustion.

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You Gotta Eat

Real-Life Strategies for Feeding Yourself When Cooking Feels Impossible
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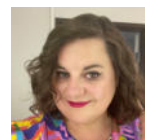
Delivery is expensive. Eating a spoonful of peanut butter is depressing. You can’t imagine having the energy to chop an onion. But somehow, you gotta eat. How does anyone feed themselves under these conditions?

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MARGARET EBY is the deputy food editor for the *Philadelphia Inquirer*. She has written for the *New York Review of Books*, *Rolling Stone*, *Vanity Fair*, *Bon Appétit*, the *New Yorker*, the *New York Times*, and the *Los Angeles Times*, among other publications.

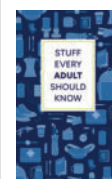


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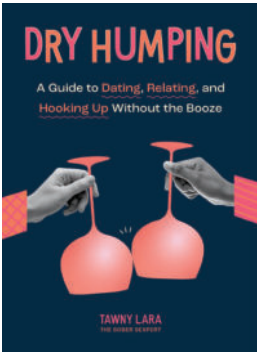
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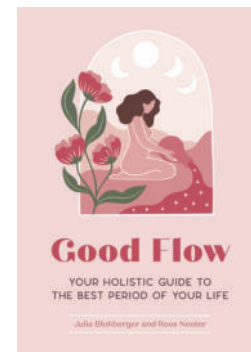
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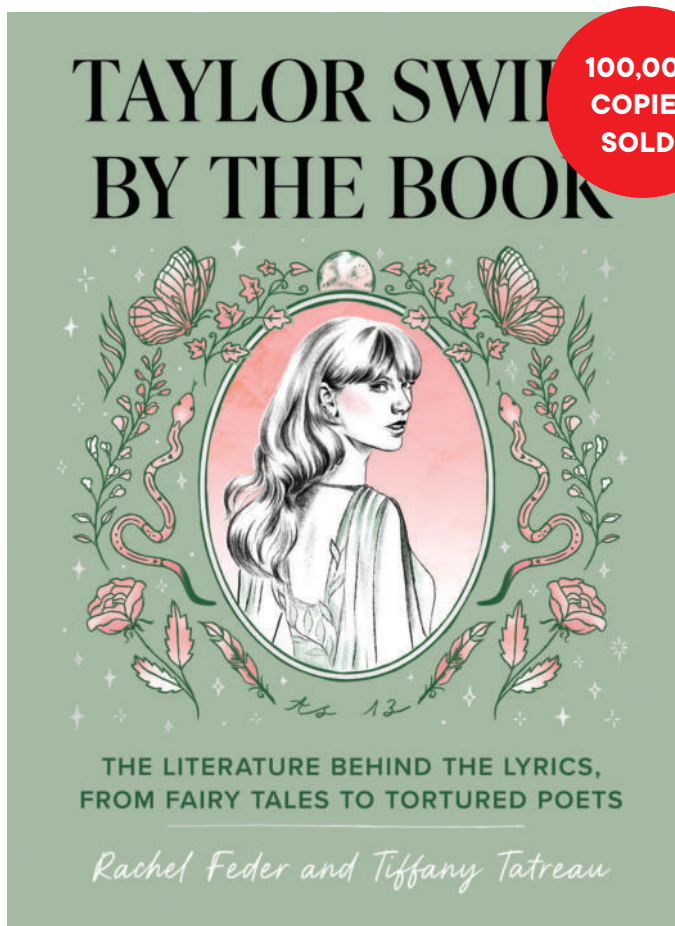
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Taylor Swift by the Book

The Literature Behind the Lyrics, from Fairy Tales to Tortured Poets

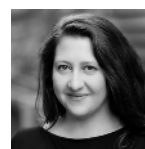
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Let a literature professor and a musical theater artist guide you through the Taylor Swift canon—from Shakespeare to the Brontë sisters to Daphne du Maurier!

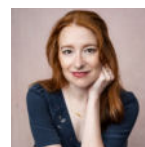
- Learn what “New Romantics” has to do with the old Romantics
- Get to know the Gothic monsters haunting *Midnights*
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RACHEL FEDER holds a Ph.D. in English from the University of Michigan and is an associate professor of English and literary arts at the University of Denver. She is the author of *The Darcy Myth: Jane Austen, Literary Heartthrobs, and the Monsters They Taught Us to Love*; *Harvester of Hearts: Motherhood Under the Sign of Frankenstein*; and *Birth Chart*, a poetry collection.

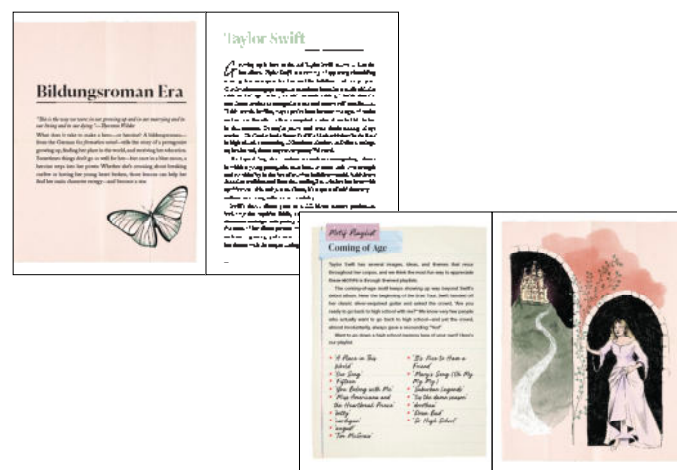


TIFFANY TATREAU is an actor, singer, educator, and writer born and raised in Southern California. She has starred in various musicals at theaters across the country in Chicago, Atlanta, New York City, and more.

From Robert Frost’s road not taken on her debut album to Samuel Taylor Coleridge’s albatross on *The Tortured Poets Department*, Taylor Swift’s lyrics are filled with literary connections.

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Reality TV For Snobs

By Ali Barthwell

Much like reality itself, reality TV has one main problem: There's just too much of it. Whether you're a devoted fan who wants to explain your passion to your loved ones, a specialist who doesn't have time to watch every series of everything, or a skeptic who still wants to understand what all the references are about, you're going to need a guide.

Great news: Emmy-winning TV writer and critic Ali Barthwell has compiled a fun, highly informative primer that makes the vast field of reality television approachable. *Reality TV for Snobs* offers explanation and analysis of 25 influential shows to get newbies up to speed and give rabid fans something to chew on. Learn about:

- The massive cultural impact of *The Bachelor*
- The ultimate fate of all those "top models" from *America's Next Top Model*
- The genesis of that *Real Housewives* meme you keep seeing
- What really happened on the set of *Survivor*
- And many more secrets, facts, and insights about the shows you love—or don't love yet!

The Outsider's Guide series offers highly readable crash courses in major cultural phenomena, so you can catch the references and understand the big deal. Join the conversation—or convince your favorite snob to join it with you!

ALI BARTHWELL is a writer who has been recapping reality TV shows since 2015. She is an Emmy-winning writer for *Last Week Tonight with John Oliver*. Her work has been featured in the AV Club and *Chicago* magazine.

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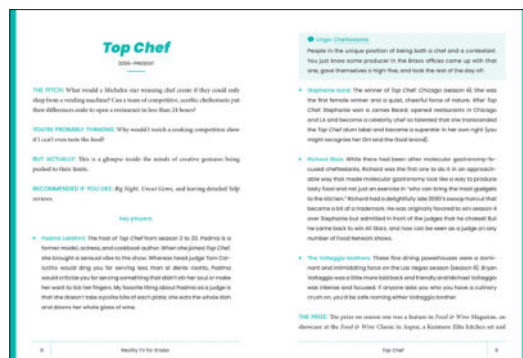
The Outsider's Guide



Everything You Need to Know About the Shows You're Too Intellectual to Watch

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Turn skeptics into fans and fans into scholars with this smart, entertaining guide to 25 influential reality shows, from *The Real World* to *The Traitors*.



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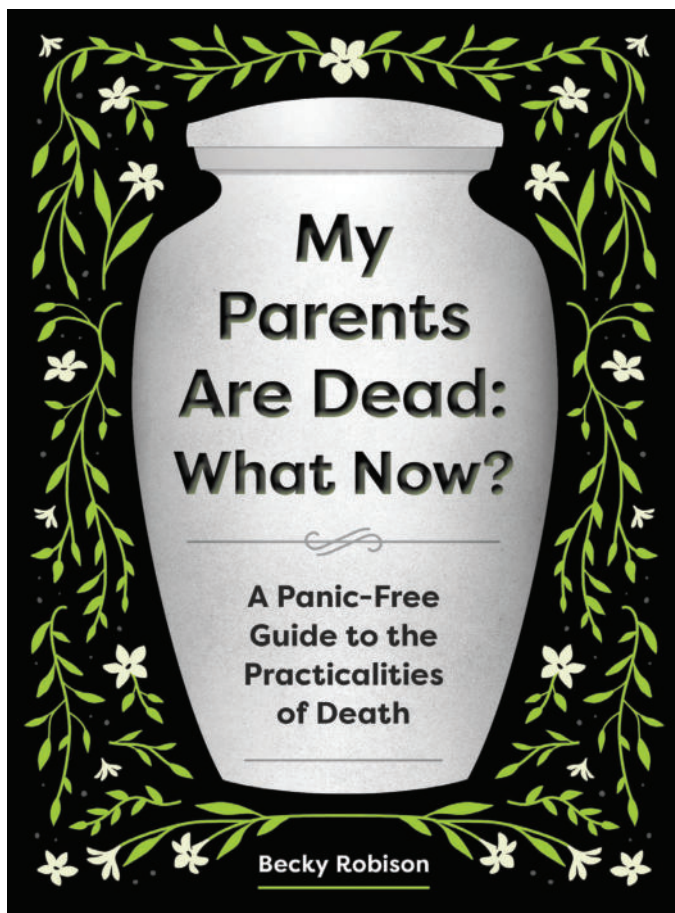
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My Parents Are Dead: What Now?

By Becky Robison

Whether you've recently lost a parent or you're just trying to plan for the toughest day of your life so far, you're probably experiencing a lot of dizzying emotions. Unfortunately, our legal and financial systems don't care about your feelings. Whether you're holding it together or falling apart, you are going to need to enter an overwhelming labyrinth of paperwork and bureaucracy.

But you don't have to do it alone.

After losing both parents, Becky Robison devoted herself to making death and postdeath logistics easier on others—reading up on estate law, becoming a trained death doula, and starting the website deadparentswatnow.com. She draws on her own experience, plus interviews with experts ranging from monument makers to morticians, to hold your hand through:

- Asking your parents about their end-of-life wishes while you can
- Getting a body buried, cremated, or donated to science
- Planning a funeral
- Securing a death certificate
- Dealing with your parent's property—or debt
- Handling even more tricky issues you never wanted to be in charge of
- And still being able to laugh a little sometimes

Nothing about this is easy. The good news is you have someone on your side.

An approachable, expert-fueled guide to dealing with the legal, financial, and logistical hurdles of a parent's death—without losing your sense of humor.

BECKY ROBISON is a writer living in Louisville, Kentucky. A graduate of UNLV's Creative Writing MFA program, she has been published in *Salon*, *Slate*, *Juked*, and elsewhere. After her parents died, she created *My Parents Are Dead: What Now?*—a website documenting her journey through the legal, financial, and bureaucratic aftermath in order to help others do the same. Now a certified death doula, she continues to educate others about death and dying through her writing and public speaking.



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By Kathy Benjamin

Death is scary—but planning your funeral doesn't have to be. *It's Your Funeral!* will help demystify death, decrease your anxiety, and put the fun back in funeral, whether that means a drunken bacchanal or a somber reflection on just how great you were. Every stage of the legacy planning process is considered, from a burial outfit to a funeral theme.

KATHY BENJAMIN's writing has received more than 100 million hits across some of the most popular humor and trivia websites in the world, including Mental Floss, Cracked, Grunge, The Smoking Jacket, and Uproxx. Kathy is also the author of *Funerals to Die For: The Craziest, Creepiest, and Most Bizarre Funeral Traditions and Practices Ever*.



By Eleanor Haley, MS, and Litsa Williams, MA, LCSW-C

Many life changes need to be grieved, from the loss of a loved one to the loss of a job, from a breakup to a relocation, and all the rest of life's ebbs and flows. In *What's Your Grief?*, mental health professionals Eleanor Haley and Litsa Williams help you examine, investigate, and move through the complex but universal experience of grief. Through seventy-five engaging, informative, and accessible lists, such as to-do (and not-to-do) lists, bucket lists, interactive lists, and more, you'll discover everything from the 5 Little-Known Truths About Grief to 9 Tips for Communicating What You Do (and Don't) Need and much more.

ELEANOR HALEY, MS and **LITSA WILLIAMS, MA, LCSW-C** are the cofounders of the online grief community What's Your Grief. Together they run the grief education and creative exploration websites What's Your Grief and Grief in Six Words. Both are mental health professionals with a collective 24+ years of experience working with people coping with all types of complicated losses and life transitions.

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From the author of *Cursed Objects* and *The United States of Cryptids*, an astonishing compendium of the 30 most infamous, audacious, and dangerous cults in history

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Cult Following

The Extreme Sects That Capture Our Imaginations—and Take Over Our Lives

By J. W. Ocker

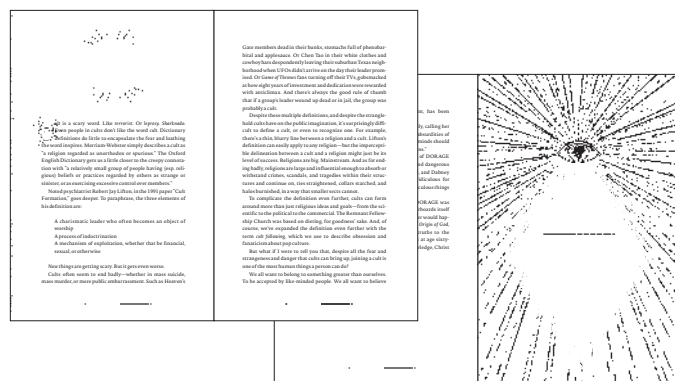
Everything you've ever wanted to know about history's most notorious cults—and the psychology of the people who join them—is packed into this accessible, engaging volume. Walk in the footsteps of those who were lured into sinister groups from Heaven's Gate to NXIVM. Contents also include:

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- **Rajneesh Movement:** This spiritual commune committed the largest bioterrorism attack in American history when they contaminated local salad bars with salmonella.

Ocker brings his trademark curiosity and wonder to the subject of cults and the terrifying way they attract followers, demonstrating the elasticity of belief, the desperateness of belonging, and the tragedy of trust.



J. W. (JASON) OCKER is an Edgar® Award winning travel writer, horror novelist, and blogger. His previous nonfiction books include *Poe-Land*, *The New England Grimpendum* and *The New York Grimpendum*, *A Season with the Witch*, the *New York Times*-reviewed *Cursed Objects*, and *The United States of Cryptids*. He is the creator of the blog and podcast *OTIS: Odd Things I've Seen* (oddtthingsiveseen.com).

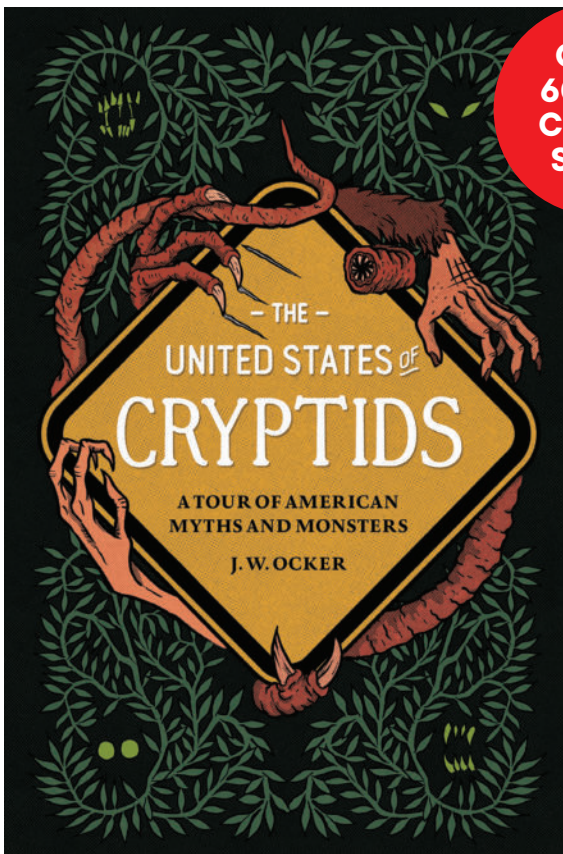


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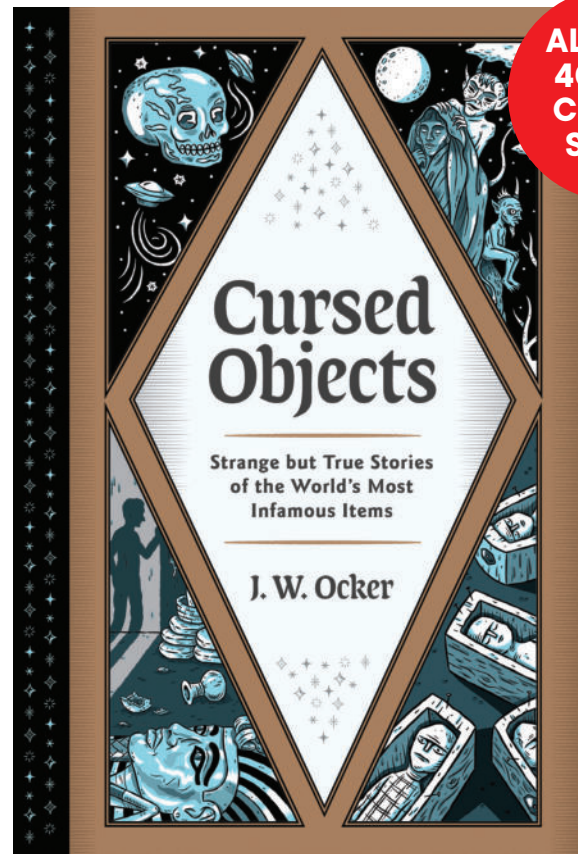
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BY J. W. OCKER

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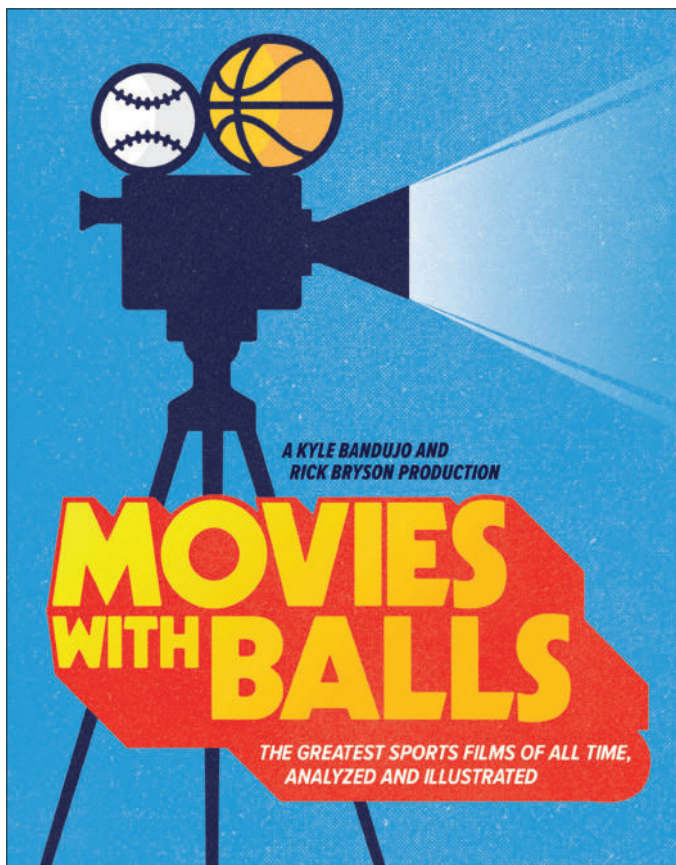
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Movies with Balls

The Greatest Sports Films of All Time, Analyzed and Illustrated

By Kyle Bandujo and Rick Bryson

If you're the kind of fan who cheers every single time you watch Rocky beat Drago, or remembers who said "Be the ball, Danny" and "If you build it, he will come," this is the book for you.

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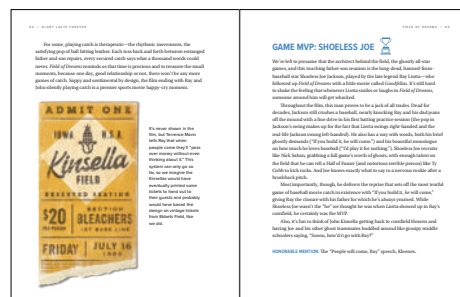
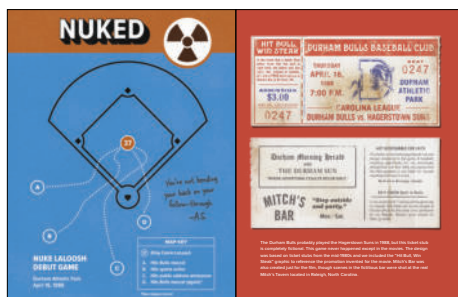
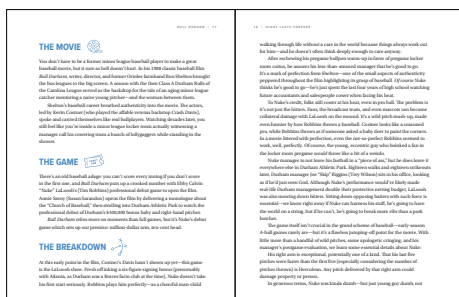


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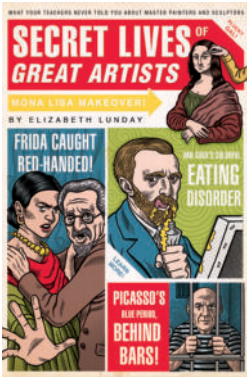
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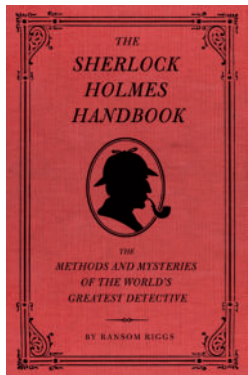
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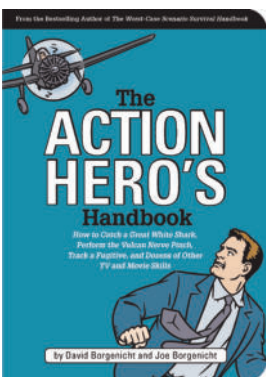
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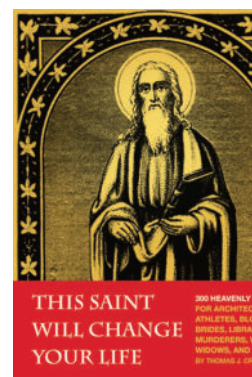
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