

BOOKWORMS & THEIR DIET
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NON-FICTION

Biskupic, Joan – “Breaking In – The Rise of Sonia Sotomayor & the Politics of Justice”

Burcan, Shane – “Laughing At My Nightmare” Shane has a disease related to muscular dystrophy. In this book he relates his life experience at age 23 (when he wrote the book) in a thoughtful and amusing way.

Carnegie, Dale – “How to Win Friends & Influence People” An oldie but goody-how to effectively deal with people.

Kalanithi, Paul – “When Breath Becomes Air” At the age of 36 Paul was diagnosed with stage IV lung cancer. The story chronicles his transformation from a naïve medical student into a neurosurgeon.

Sotomayor, Sonia – “My Beloved World” The first Hispanic and third woman appointed to the Supreme Court.

Religion

Higgs, Liz Curtis - “Bad Girls of the Bible”; “Really Bad Girls of the Bible”; “Slightly Bad Girls of the Bible” These books are not only a hoot to read, they are full of serious warnings about shaky choices and encouragement to take God’s way for our own good.

FICTION

Braun, Lilian Jackson – “The Cat Who” series (old) Stories about two Siamese cats and a news paper reporter. Something is always happening and the cats solve the mystery.

Brooks, Geraldine – “People of the Book” People of various faiths who risk their lives to safeguard a manuscript conservator and a valuable book.

Delderfield, R. F. – “God is an Englishman” First of a trilogy.(old) England in 1860’s An epic story about the Swann family & Victorian commerce.

Francis, Dick – “Shattered” Gerald Logan is a renowned glassblower but when he gets a video from a murdered jockey friend he finds himself in danger from the mob.

Gillmore, Dorothy – “The Unexpected Mrs. Polifax” (first in series) Older widow who ends up working for the CIA.

Hannah, Kristin – “The Nightingale” In France 1939, Vianna Mauriac’s husband has left for the front. Nazis invade in force. Vianna is forced to endure danger through the Resistance.

Harris, Lisa – “Geechee Girls” In the Savannah’s Low Country with snakes, peppermills and trailer parks we find two girls, one white and one black sharing their secrets.

L’Amour, Louis – “The Proving Trail” Nearly all of his western stories are a good read. The Sacket family stories are exciting.

Magnuson, James – “Orphan Train” In 1853 twenty-seven abandoned children travel west to find new homes and lives.

Moyes, Jojo - “Me Before You” Louisa is an ordinary girl until she take a job caring for a quadriplegic. Will Traynor shows her new and exciting things.

Rivers, Francine – “Leota’s Garden” At eighty-four Leota is alone until she meets her estranged granddaughter. They share their secrets.

Shute, Nevil – “A Town Like Alice” A tale of love and war. Follows the heroine from Malayan jungle during WWII to the Australian outback. “Trustee of the Tool Room” Former engineer becomes guardian of his niece and must recover her inheritance, a box of sunken diamonds.

Stein, Barth – “The Art of Racing in the Rain” Enzo, the dog reflects back on his life with the Swift family. Keep the tissues handy.

Historical

Doerr, Anthony – “All the Light We Cannot See” Story about a blind French girl & a German boy whose paths collide in Nazi occupied France. When she & her father flee Paris they take with them the museum’s most valuable and dangerous jewel.

Thoene, Bodie – A series of novels set around the 1930 – 40 about Jews fleeing Nazism and immigrating to Israel.

Turner, Nancy – #1 “These is My Words” Diary of Sarah Agnes Prine & family (1881 – 1901)

2 “Sarah’s Quilt” (1906) in Arizona Territories; #3 “The Star Garden”

Willig, Lauren – “The Secret History of the Pink Carnation” A story about the elusive female spy who helps save England from Napoleon. Story goes between the present and the past.

MYSTERY

Baldacci, David - “The Camel Club” - After a shocking murder, the Club is slammed headfirst into a plot that threatens the very security of the nation’s capital.

Beaton, M. C. – “Agatha Raisin Series & Hamish Macbeth Series” Both based in Scotland present day.

Chapman, Vannetta, - “Falling to Pieces: A Shipshewana Amish mystery” Two Amish Women & one English – reluctantly join forces for a short-term business venture. They end up solving a mystery.

Francis, Dick – “Shattered” After the murder of a jockey, Logan a famous glassblower, is targeted.

King, Laurie R. – “Beekeepers Apprentice” First in a series about Sherlock Holmes after he retires & a teen age girl that he teaches his mystery solving methods.

Penny, Louise – Series: The Three Pines Mysteries and the Chief Inspector Garmache novels.

Peters, Elizabeth – Amelia Peabody series of books of historical mysteries in early 1900s Egypt while doing archeology she solves a murder.

Roberts, Nora – “The Collector” Murder – Faberge Eggs – Love all rolled into one.

Sandford, John – “Storm Front” A Virgil Flowers novel placed in Minnesota.

Woods, Stuart – “Scandalous Behavior” Series – Stone Barrington buys a home in the English country side.

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