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### 21 Aldgate

The definitive word on tacos from native Angeleno Wes Avila, who draws on his Mexican heritage as well as his time in the kitchens of some of the world's best restaurants to create taco perfection. In a town overrun with taco trucks, Wes Avila's Guerrilla Tacos has managed to win almost every accolade there is, from being crowned Best Taco Truck by LA Weekly to being called one of the best things to eat in Los Angeles by legendary food critic Jonathan Gold. Avila's approach stands out in a crowded field because it's unique: the 50 base recipes in this book are grounded in authenticity but never tied down to tradition. Wes uses ingredients like kurobata sausage and sea urchin, but his bestselling taco is made from the humble sweet potato. From basic building blocks to how to balance flavor and texture, with comic-inspired illustrations and stories throughout, Guerrilla Tacos is the final word on tacos from the streets of L.A.

### Their Eyes Were Watching God

An Urban Tale  
Detective Bronson (aka DB) & his partner Detective Mitchell are lead detectives in Washington, D.C.'s Homicide Division. In one month they come across several murders that are linked together in more ways than one. Meanwhile Bleek (aka DaJuan), Detective Bronson's son, is a decent student and a star athlete. The absence of his deceased mother, and a father who's consumed by his career & new love interest, is slowly changing his life. So he clings to his closest friends, and his girlfriend Tykia for love & sense of family. An unexpected twist turns the case upside down & leaves Detective Bronson with one of the toughest choices in his life.

### My Life in France

The Tyler family had the perfect life - until sixteen-year-old Leah decided she didn't want to be perfect anymore. While Leah's parents fight to save their daughter from destroying her brilliant future, Leah's younger sister, Justine, must cope with the damage her out-of-control sibling leaves in her wake. Will this family survive? What happens when love just isn't enough?  
Jodi Picoult fans will love In Leah's Wake - a heartbreaking, ultimately redemptive story

about family, connection and our responsibility to those we love.

### **Guerrilla Tacos**

Named a Best New Cookbook of Fall 2019 by the New York Times, Food & Wine, Epicurious, Grub Street, and more “I will keep this book forever in my collection because no one cooking today is doing more to help the Southern culinary flame burn brighter.” —New York Times “Masterful. . . . Mouthwatering, virtuosic.” —Publishers Weekly, starred review Southern food is one of the most beloved and delicious cuisines in America. And who better to give us the key elements of Southern cuisine than Sean Brock, the award-winning chef and Southern-food crusader. In South, Brock shares his recipes for key components of the cuisine, from grits and fried chicken to collard greens and corn bread. Recipes can be mixed and matched to make a meal or eaten on their own. Taken together, they make up the essential elements of Southern cuisine, from fried green tomatoes to smoked baby back ribs and from tomato okra stew to biscuits. Regional differences are highlighted in recipes for shrimp and grits, corn bread, fried chicken, and more. Includes key Southern knowledge too: how to fry, how to care for cast iron, how to cook over a hearth, and more. This is the book fans of Sean Brock have been waiting for, and it’s the book Southern-food lovers the world over will use as their bible.

### **My Father His Son**

THE ANGEL IN LA is a gripping, nonfiction novel combining absolute realism, humor, and a moving, supernatural twist. While on the tennis tour, Merritt is confronted by an angel in Los Angeles who guides him with a directive. From this point forward Merritt is haunted and oppressed by his heinous nemesis alcohol in a clash of Darkness versus Light. Although it is seemingly winning, causing Merritt to become homeless and a fugitive of the law, he never forgets the angel who tenaciously pursues him and spurs him towards recovery. If you have ever been curious what really goes through the mind of a chronic alcoholic/addict, then walk with Merritt and get a firsthand peek into the secret underworld of alcoholism, which lured him into boundless depths of assorted self-indulgence beginning in Los Angeles. Unlike "Leaving Las Vegas" this true story is about hope and a strong will to live. Excerpt from The Angel in LA: "A shaft of morning light sloped on his face with its warm, radiant power, exposing deep lines that should not have been there. But it was also a face that had witnessed something profoundly mystical-something so intensely spectacular he could not let go of it as hard as he tried."".The book is a well-written and gripping account of what you experienced as your life unraveled, but also the transformation that you experienced as you and your Higher Power worked together to overcome and win the battle. Keep telling your story.there is always one more person who needs to hear it!" James Van Hecke, Jr., President of Addiction Recovery Institute"It is the riveting story of an alcoholic with a promising life tossed aside due to the destructive force of addiction." Sheri Wilson Kerhulas"This is definitely a page turner, and a wonderful story of redemption. A must read for anyone who feels lost!" Beth Gable

### **Chef Roy Choi and the Street Food Remix**

## **Mr. William Shakespear's Comedies, Histories, and Tragedies**

Delectably steeped in tradition, a living culinary heritage

## **My Secret**

The Prodigal Son is a story about Luke Bennet, a renowned cardiovascular surgeon from Boston, Massachusetts, who as a child, after experiencing the death of his father found solace in science. Due to an unforeseen circumstance, he returns to his hometown of Tremont on a forced "vacation," and faces events that make him question the sterile life he has fashioned: void of all traces of his childhood faith in God and the Catholic Church. While home Luke not only reunites with old friends, he also establishes a new relationship with the exquisitely beautiful stranger named Sophia with whom he becomes intimate. Through her unusual spiritual connection with humanity, she encourages Luke to face his faults, she helps him overcome the childhood trauma that he never healed from, and she guides him to view life in a more balanced way.

## **A Song Flung Up to Heaven**

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## **The Prodigal Son**

How does a parent make sense of a child's severe mental illness? How does a father meet the daily challenges of caring for his gifted but delusional son, while seeking to overcome the stigma of madness and the limits of psychiatry? W. J. T. Mitchell's memoir tells the story—at once representative and unique—of one family's encounter with mental illness and bears witness to the life of the talented young man who was his son. Gabriel Mitchell was diagnosed with schizophrenia at age twenty-one and died by suicide eighteen years later. He left behind a remarkable archive of creative work and a father determined to honor his son's attempts to conquer his own illness. Before his death, Gabe had been working on a film that would show madness from

inside and out, as media stereotype and spectacle, symptom and stigma, malady and minority status, disability and gateway to insight. He was convinced that madness is an extreme form of subjective experience that we all endure at some point in our lives, whether in moments of ecstasy or melancholy, or in the enduring trauma of a broken heart. Gabe's declared ambition was to transform schizophrenia from a death sentence to a learning experience, and madness from a curse to a critical perspective. Shot through with love and pain, *Mental Traveler* shows how Gabe drew his father into his quest for enlightenment within madness. It is a book that will touch anyone struggling to cope with mental illness, and especially for parents and caregivers of those caught in its grasp.

### **Unchosen**

When Sean Thomas arrives in southwestern Montana that July of 1864, he has his sights on the gold streams that run along Virginia City. But in the dining hall, when Mandy plays her song, a glance sparks an interest just enough to begin a special relationship that should have ended, happily. In this new western frontier town, quick tempers, loaded guns, and questionable vigilante lawmen, leave behind shaky ground, broken hearts, and other surprises, too. As Sean struggles to stay alive, Mandy struggles to keep the memory of him alive. But when familial forces threaten to erase every trace of him, she turns to an unlikely ally for hope.

### **South**

“A triumph of storytelling. Henríquez pulls us into the lives of her characters with such mastery that we hang on to them just as fiercely as they hang on to one another and their dreams. This passionate, powerful novel will stay with you long after you've turned the final page.” —Ben Fountain, author of *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk* A boy and a girl who fall in love. Two families whose hopes collide with destiny. An extraordinary novel that offers a resonant new definition of what it means to be American. Arturo and Alma Rivera have lived their whole lives in Mexico. One day, their beautiful fifteen-year-old daughter, Maribel, sustains a terrible injury, one that casts doubt on whether she'll ever be the same. And so, leaving all they have behind, the Riveras come to America with a single dream: that in this country of great opportunity and resources, Maribel can get better. When Mayor Toro, whose family is from Panama, sees Maribel in a Dollar Tree store, it is love at first sight. It's also the beginning of a friendship between the Rivera and Toro families, whose web of guilt and love and responsibility is at this novel's core. Woven into their stories are the testimonials of men and women who have come to the United States from all over Latin America. Their journeys and their voices will inspire you, surprise you, and break your heart. Suspenseful, wry and immediate, rich in spirit and humanity, *The Book of Unknown Americans* is a work of rare force and originality. This eBook edition includes a Reading Group Guide.

### **Fortunate Son**

Have you lost a child to death? What becomes of your life? Well-meaning friends or church leaders sharing trite phrases or even Bible verses by rote rarely help. Keeping your grief to yourself and telling everyone you're fine won't cut it either. Is there any chance for a life of victory and hope after this

devastation? Merrit Hearing brings you into his journey after his 16-year-old son drowned in the Pacific Ocean. Come find out that joy and sorrow can indeed walk hand-in-hand and discover a fresh intimacy with our Savior.

### **The Unbearable Lightness of Being**

In high school, everyone's talking about college. What to do. Where to go. Why it's important. Classes are given on it. Books are written about it. But details get left out. Every year, college graduates learn this the hard way as they step into adulthood. I was one of them. After earning a four-year degree, I went through two of the worst years of my life. Not that my situation is unique. I am a part of a generation that was told to go to college first and sort out the details later. Most of us did. We chased the promise of a big shiny future, and we ended up being chased by the mistakes of our past. That's not to say we completely regretted going. This book isn't a list of privileged millennial complaints. It's a collection of wisdom gained in less than pleasant ways. It's a story of hardship, failure, victory, and perseverance. It's all of the things we wish someone had told us. And it takes place before college, in college, after college, and without college. This is the wild, painful, awkward, hilarious, depressing, & beautiful journey from youth to maturity. This is the college book that no one ever gave us.

### **Doing Time with God: Stories of Healing and Hope in Our Prisons**

In this collection of poems and her life story Stephanie Ellis shares her personal story as a single mother and how she endured and surpassed the worst of life's hardships. Everything around her was falling apart but she remained resilient, and it was her hope that served as her shield. All of us are fighting a hard battle in life every single day. Hope is the one thing that keeps us going. It's like the candle that serves as our light in the dark. It's what fuels our body and soul to keep believing and keep trying to make things better. We need to learn that no matter what there is always hope. God always has a plan and creates a path for us out of our darkest hours Always remember when there is nothing else there is always HOPE

### **Father, Son & Co.**

A hockey romance love story challenging the creation of love itself. Is love something manifested through experience, wants, needs, desire and luck? Or is love just "there?" Perhaps the seed of love is planted by the spiritual energies of the universe after which fateful life experience dictates. True love manifested dependent on circumstance. Uncontrollable, creating anxiety with the thought. Cathy Wilson delivers again with a spectacular story in fiction hockey romance. A tale of two lives so inertly different interconnecting through a passion for hockey. Marcus, a young man you normally wouldn't notice. Rather plain looking, not many friends, more like acquaintances, definitely a different breed. A people pleaser you could say. Used often by acquaintances and discarded afterwards. Marcus grounds himself playing hockey, the only time he can shut his "thoughts" off. Falls head over heels for a wonderful woman at a vulnerable time in her life. Trista, a single young mother of three struggling to make ends meet. Desperate to give her kids the world but unable to accept the support she needs to do so. Strong willed, determined, trusting, forgiving, with a carefree spirit and unguarded heart. They meet . . . Her gut says no. Her head says yes. A decision that will change her life forever. Deep dark secrets uncovered, wrongs trying to be made right. Should Trista follow

her inert instincts, vulnerable head or confused head? Hockey romance at it's best!

## **Social Mastery Made Simple**

Upton Sinclair, one of America's foremost and most prolific authors, addresses the cultivation of the mind and the body in this 1922 volume. Sinclair's goal was to attempt to tell the reader how to live, how to find health, happiness and success, and how to develop fully both the mind and the body. Part One: The Book of the Mind covers such subjects as faith, reason, morality, and the subconscious. Part Two: The Book of the Body develops such subjects as errors in diet, the fasting cure, food and poisons, work and play, and diseases and their cures .

## **Lolita**

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## **Summer of Change**

The First One died to pique her interest The Second to touch her soul. The Third One died to steal her peace, The Fourth makes Fear, his goal. Violence leaves a stain on your soul, and the fear that accompanies that violence can never be removed. It can be hidden, shadowed, and put away, but throw in just the right set of circumstances and it will blossom once again. Leigh Ramirez has been through a lot in her short life: an abusive husband, raising two kids on her own, and two near death experiences on the job. All she wants now is to get back to a sense of normalcy, in her life and at work. She wants to move on from all that's happened to her. It was her decision to leave police work and put that life behind her, but when a young girl is found dead in a local park with something of Leigh's in her hand, Leigh is lured back into the world she left behind. Someone wants Leigh to experience the beauty of fear. They want her to live it, feel it, and breathe it. As young women continue to turn up dead, their resemblance to Leigh is lost on no one, least of all her. Each victim found takes a piece of her soul, steals more of her peace. It doesn't take long for Leigh to realize that this can have only one end. Even while her friends try to protect her, Leigh refuses to go into hiding and is ultimately forced to face her greatest fear, as it threatens both her children's lives and her own.

Reviews: "This book grabs you from the start and never let's you go" K. Muter "If you're looking for a pretty good thriller/mystery I definitely recommend this one!!!" E.Mouw "From the first word to the last, I was hooked. I love crime T.V. and books, this is so well written, you can smell and feel her fear. I'm looking forward to Ms. Perez's next book!" L.Meade

### **Nowhere**

Craig Comes planned for a journalism career, while his friends expected him to become a bestselling author. But un-diagnosed Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD) and Depression struck after college. After the writing stopped, delusion and denial lead to poverty. long term joblessness and self-imposed exile. Returning to himself would take 15 years in a journey spanning from California Wine Country to the South African veld. This is his story.

### **The Book of Unknown Americans**

A collection of artfully decorated postcards with secrets anonymously written on them by people from all over the world and sent to the founder of PostSecret, a community art project that evolved into a website.

### **Vigilant**

### **Making Other Plans**

"Social Mastery Made Simple is a comprehensive social skills program developed for children and adolescents with learning disabilities. Students will learn every aspect of social interaction, from the simple to the complex"--Back cover.

### **Mental Traveler**

Have you ever looked around and said, "This is not the life I intended to create?" A young family with everything begins to question their choices. Are making a living and making a life two very different things? Can they allow their true values to take center stage and choose a different path? Mike and Alison Buehler bought fully into the American Dream. Two doctoral degrees, successful careers, three children, and a big house should be a recipe for happiness. But something is missing, and the wheels are coming off. Join this family as they journey toward health and happiness based on a very different set of values.

### **The Angel in La**

The culmination of a unique achievement in modern American literature: the six volumes of autobiography that began more than thirty years ago with the appearance of *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*. *A Song Flung Up to Heaven* opens as Maya Angelou returns from Africa to the United States to work with Malcolm X. But first she has to journey to California to be reunited with her mother and brother. No sooner does she arrive there than she learns that Malcolm X has been assassinated. Devastated, she tries to put her life back together, working on the stage in local theaters and even conducting a door-to-door survey in Watts. Then Watts explodes in violence, a riot she describes firsthand. Subsequently, on a trip to New York, she meets Martin Luther King, Jr., who asks her to become his coordinator in the North, and she visits black churches all over America to help support King's Poor People's March. But once again tragedy strikes. King is assassinated, and this time Angelou completely withdraws from the world, unable to deal with this horrible event. Finally, James Baldwin forces her out of isolation and insists that she accompany him to a dinner party—where the idea for writing *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* is born. In fact, *A Song Flung Up to Heaven* ends as Maya Angelou begins to write the first sentences of *Caged Bird*.

### **All I Ever Had Was Hope**

*Their Eyes Were Watching God* is a 1937 novel by African-American writer Zora Neale Hurston. It is considered a classic of the Harlem Renaissance of the 1920s, and it is likely Hurston's best known work.

### **The Days of My Life**

What if facing your darkest fears meant finding a brighter future? A once-perfect life has spiraled out of control for Stephanie and Phillip Bouchard after their daughter's drug addiction leaves them blind-sided and hopeless. Their strained relationship escalates when financial troubles and Phillip's near infidelity pierce Stephanie's heart, dragging her into an emotionally untouchable state. Stephanie considers ending the marriage and begins searching for a way out. Phillip is determined to repair the damage and save his family with the help of Stephanie's best friend, Cali, who suggests a weekend getaway to her rustic family cabin. After repeatedly ignoring the offer, Stephanie's resistance is shattered when a crisis forces the couple to face each other head on. Tension builds as simple acts like talking seem forced and unwanted, leading to more frustration. Will Stephanie and Phillip unravel their tangled history and find true happiness again?

### **Life of Robert Burns**

Lizzie O'Malley is back with a purpose in life. Still flighty and unpredictable, she knows that loving and losing Teagan Gallagher has changed her life forever. As she navigates her new life in Boston as a full time working mother, she promises herself she will never fall in love again. But can she keep that promise after meeting Nick Sawyer, the gorgeous Texan who has fallen for her? Follow Lizzie to Ireland where she struggles with tragedy and rediscovers herself all over again.

### **Lessons from a Son's Life and Death**

## **L.A. Son**

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Ari Grant spends her days helping the troubled youth of Glory City, and her nights trying to feel something other than the cold numbness that has settled in her bones. For years, she satisfies this urge with trips to the tattoo parlor or late night clubbing, but everything changes when she becomes a victim of an armed robbery. She manages to escape notice from the gunman, a former client, but only because she's saved by Glory City's own Vigilante. A hooded man who has impeccable timing when it comes to those in need. It seems Ari isn't the only one trying to save lost souls or looking for a life outside their job. She's caught the attention of Nick Sanders, a handsome attorney at juvenile court. Solid and steady, he seems the perfect fit, but Ari has developed an obsession with Davis, the mysterious and sexy director of a local fight club that rehabilitates delinquent boys. Each of these men fight for the less fortunate, but not everyone has altruistic motives. When Ari's female clients begin to disappear, she can't figure out who to trust. Soon enough it becomes obvious that while Ari watches over the kids of Glory City, someone else has taken to watching over her.

## **The Unraveling of Us**

"Summer of Change" staged in New Mexico during the hot summer months of 1973 is filled with complex conflicts on many levels including bullying, abandonment, greed and environmental concerns. MatiLou is eleven, the brightest one in her class and an only child. She's wished for a sister and on the hottest day, PerryAnn, who is fourteen, appears on Grandma Waters' cactus farm next door. PerryAnn's grandmother sells the minerals rights under the farm and begins drinking heavily, while in the midst of grieving the loss of her only son, PerryAnn's father. The threat of external change to the beloved cactus farm looms throughout the story because three men in steel toe boots have come to stake a well right in front of Grandma Waters' house. In the midst of it all, the girls make a trek to the highest hill at the park without telling anyone they're going. Their reasons for hiking to the hill are at odds and both girls have life threatening experiences as a result the trip. Although some experiences in "Summer of Change" are based in reality, the novella is fiction and the characters are created and not meant to describe actual people.

## **Growing the Good Life**

The long-awaited memoir from John Fogerty, the legendary singer-songwriter and creative force behind Creedence Clearwater Revival. Creedence Clearwater Revival is one of the most important and beloved bands in the history of rock, and John Fogerty wrote, sang, and produced their instantly recognizable classics: "Proud Mary," "Bad Moon Rising," "Born on the Bayou," and more. Now he reveals how he brought CCR to number one in the world, eclipsing even the Beatles in 1969. By the next year, though, Creedence was falling apart; their amazing, enduring success exploded and faded in just a few short years. *Fortunate Son* takes readers from Fogerty's Northern California roots, through Creedence's success and the retreat from music and

public life, to his hard-won revival as a solo artist who finally found love.

### **Beauty of Fear**

True crime stories provide the foundation of this prison memoir. Bill Dyer was robbed and shot at an ATM. In *Doing Time with God*, you go into prison with him and other victims of violence to meet with convicted felons who will be facing their worst and greatest realizations, before they are released. Nothing is predictable when victims and offenders come together and share their stories of the true crimes that have devastated their lives and reshaped them. Victim-survivors remember their losses and feel their pain; Offenders come face-to-face with the hurt they have caused, and open wounds from their own past. Walls of defensiveness and fear are knocked down by empathy and compassion, vulnerability and tears. Raw emotions flow. The way to peace is often intense, turbulent, and heartbreaking. Even when it's not pretty, the journey is beautiful in its honesty miraculous in the way it unfolds divine in how it transforms lives. *This Amazing Process Opens the Heart, Touches the Soul, and Renews the Mind*

### **Montana Son - a New Town**

Describes the L.A. street cook's life, including working in his family's restaurant as a child, figuring out what he wanted to do with his life, and his success with his food truck and restaurant.

### **That College Book**

When *The Unbearable Lightness of Being* was first published in English, it was hailed as "a work of the boldest mastery, originality, and richness" by critic Elizabeth Hardwick and named one of the best books of 1984 by the *New York Times Book Review*. It went on to win the *Los Angeles Times Book Prize for Fiction* and quickly became an international bestseller. Twenty years later, the novel has established itself as a modern classic. To commemorate the anniversary of its first English-language publication, HarperCollins is proud to offer a special hardcover edition. A young woman in love with a man torn between his love for her and his incorrigible womanizing; one of his mistresses and her humbly faithful lover -- these are the two couples whose story is told in this masterful novel. Controlled by day, Tereza's jealousy awakens by night, transformed into ineffably sad death-dreams, while Tomas, a successful surgeon, alternates loving devotion to the dependent Tereza with the ardent pursuit of other women. Sabina, an independent, free-spirited artist, lives her life as a series of betrayals -- of parents, husband, country, love itself -- whereas her lover, the intellectual Franz, loses all because of his earnest goodness and fidelity. In a world in which lives are shaped by irrevocable choices and by fortuitous events, a world in which everything occurs but once, existence seems to lose its substance, its weight. Hence we feel, says the novelist, "the unbearable lightness of being" -- not only as the consequence of our private acts but also in the public sphere, and the two inevitably intertwine. This magnificent novel encompasses the extremes of comedy and tragedy, and embraces, it seems, all aspects of human existence. It juxtaposes geographically distant places (Prague, Geneva, Paris, Thailand, the United States, a forlorn Bohemian village); brilliant and playful reflections (on "eternal return," on kitsch, on man and animals -- Tomas and Tereza have a beloved dog named Karenin); and a variety of styles (from the farcical to the elegiac) to take its place as perhaps the major achievement of one of the world's truly great writers.

## **The Book of Life**

The bestselling story of Julia's years in France—and the basis for *Julie & Julia*, starring Meryl Streep and Amy Adams—in her own words. Although she would later singlehandedly create a new approach to American cuisine with her cookbook *Mastering the Art of French Cooking* and her television show *The French Chef*, Julia Child was not always a master chef. Indeed, when she first arrived in France in 1948 with her husband, Paul, who was to work for the USIS, she spoke no French and knew nothing about the country itself. But as she dove into French culture, buying food at local markets and taking classes at the Cordon Bleu, her life changed forever with her newfound passion for cooking and teaching. Julia's unforgettable story—struggles with the head of the Cordon Bleu, rejections from publishers to whom she sent her now-famous cookbook, a wonderful, nearly fifty-year long marriage that took the Childs across the globe—unfolds with the spirit so key to Julia's success as a chef and a writer, brilliantly capturing one of America's most endearing personalities.

## **Truly Texas Mexican**

(Book Jacket Status: Jacketed)When it was published in 1955, "Lolita" immediately became a cause célèbre because of the freedom and sophistication with which it handled the unusual erotic predilections of its protagonist. But Vladimir Nabokov's wise, ironic, elegant masterpiece owes its stature as one of the twentieth century's novels of record not to the controversy its material aroused but to its author's use of that material to tell a love story almost shocking in its beauty and tenderness. Awe and exhilaration—along with heartbreak and mordant wit—abound in this account of the aging Humbert Humbert's obsessive, devouring, and doomed passion for the nymphet Dolores Haze. Lolita is also the story of a hypercivilized European colliding with the cheerful barbarism of postwar America, but most of all, it is a meditation on love-love as outrage and hallucination, madness and transformation. With an Introduction by Martin Amis "From the Hardcover edition."

## **In Leah's Wake**

In this eloquent first-person account of a family drama that changed the face of American business, the man who transformed IBM into the world's largest computer company reflects on his lifelong partnership with his father--and how their management style and shared dedication to excellence united to create a unique corporate culture that became the blueprint for the entire technology boom. In the course of sixty years Thomas J. Watson Sr. and his son, Thomas J. Watson Jr., together built the international colossus that is IBM. This is their story: a riveting and revealing account of two men who loved each other--and fought each other--with a terrible fierceness. But along with the story of a father and son, this is IBM's story too. It chronicles the management insights that shaped its course and its unique corporate culture, the style that made Thomas Watson Sr. one of America's most charismatic bosses, and the daring decisions by Thomas Watson Jr. that transformed IBM into the world's largest computing company. One of the greatest business-success stories of all time, *Father, Son & Co.* is a moving lesson for fathers who dream for their children, as well as a testament to American ingenuity and values, told in a disarmingly frank and eloquent voice. Promising to remain an important business reference as we move into the next century, *FATHER, SON & CO.* takes a look at the management insight that helped to shape IBM's course and unique corporate culture. It looks at Watson, Sr., one of America's most charismatic

bosses, and Watson, Jr., who spurred IBM into the computer age. Ten years after its original publication, FATHER, SON & CO. remains a uniquely honest book. Watson's willingness to write about the loving but ferociously combative relationship he had with his father and the turbulent battles behind some of IBM's most far-reaching decisions gives readers rare insights into the realities of leadership. -->

### **Break-Away**

21 ALDGATE by Patricia Friedberg is character-driven historical fiction set in pre-WWII London's Jewish East End and fashionable Chelsea, as well as in Germany and France . It is a fictionalized story of the relationship between the artist, Paul Maze, and his young married assistant, Clara, during and after the writing of his memoir of the Great War. A feature film based on the author's screenplay of 21 Aldgate, titled "The One I Love," is presently in development by Progress Pictures, Ltd., U.K. and The Future Film Group, U.K. The target audience includes WWI and WWII history buffs, Jewish history enthusiasts, Anglophiles across the globe, and readers who enjoy a great love story. Similar to The Postmistress in tenor, 21 ALDGATE is a story of love and war that bears witness to the prejudice, bias, aggression and propaganda that influenced British society during the buildup to WWII.

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