The Art Forger : a novel by Shapiro, B. A
Almost twenty-five years after the infamous art heist at the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum—still the largest unsolved art theft in history—one of the stolen Degas paintings is delivered to the Boston studio of a young artist. Claire Roth has entered into a Faustian bargain with a powerful gallery owner by agreeing to forge the Degas in exchange for a one-woman show in his renowned gallery. But as she begins her work, she starts to suspect that this long-missing masterpiece—the very one that had been hanging at the Gardner for one hundred years—may itself be a forgery. *The Art Forger* is a thrilling novel about seeing—and not seeing—the secrets that lie beneath the canvas.

And the mountains echoed : a novel by Hosseini, Khaled
"In 1952 Afghanistan, Abdullah and his sister Pari live with their father and step-mother in the small village of Shadbagh. Their father, Saboor, is constantly in search of work and they struggle together through poverty and brutal winters"

Angel Wings by Kaminsky, Howard
A serial killer is on the loose in Providence, Rhode Island, and he’s killing women who, in life, were anything but angels. Yet when homicide detective Danny Martell arrives on the scene, he finds the victims have been elaborately made up, with fabric wings attached to their lifeless bodies. The papers have dubbed the killings “the Angel Murders”— but it isn’t long before the crime wave drags Danny into his own personal hell.

The Art of Freedom : teaching the humanities to the poor by Shorris, Earl
In 1995, Shorris (The Politics of Heaven), while researching a book on poverty, visited New York's Bedford Hills prison, where a female prisoner made an offhand comment: the difference between rich and poor is the humanities. This prison visit led to the much-lauded Clemente Course, a program to teach the humanities to disadvantaged students from all backgrounds, and earned Shorris the National Humanities Medal.

Bad Monkey by Hiaasen, Carl
Here is Hiaasen doing what he does better than anyone else: spinning a tale at once fiercely pointed and wickedly funny in which the greedy, the corrupt, and the degraders of what’s left of pristine Florida—now, of the Bahamas as well—get their comeuppance in mordantly ingenious, diabolically entertaining fashion.

Beautiful ruins : a novel by Walter, Jess
Follows a young Italian innkeeper and his almost-love affair with a beautiful American starlet, which draws him into a glittering world filled with unforgettable characters.

Blood & Beauty by Dunant, Sarah
Stripping away the myths around the Borgias, *Blood & Beauty* is a majestic novel that breathes life into this astonishing family and celebrates the raw power of history itself: compelling, complex and relentless.
The Boys in the Boat --Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics by Brown, Daniel James
Daniel James Brown’s robust book tells the story of the University of Washington’s 1936 eight-oar crew and their epic quest for an Olympic gold medal, a team that transformed the sport and grabbed the attention of millions of Americans. The sons of loggers, shipyard workers, and farmers, the boys defeated elite rivals first from eastern and British universities and finally the German crew rowing for Adolf Hitler in the Olympic games in Berlin, 1936.

Bunker Hill : a city, a siege, a revolution by Philbrick, Nathaniel
National Book Award winner and Pulitzer Prize finalist Philbrick (In the Heart of the Sea) here gives readers a detailed account of the 1774 Battle of Bunker Hill, including the contentious preceding years and the months afterward, when George Washington ended the ten-month siege of Boston by forcing the British evacuation.

The burgess boys : a novel by Strout, Elizabeth
Catalyzed by a nephew's thoughtless prank, pair of brothers confront painful psychological issues surrounding the freak accident that killed their father when they were boys, a loss linked to a heartbreaking deception that shaped their personal and professional lives.

A chain of thunder : a novel of the Siege of Vicksburg by Shaara, Jeff
Continuing the series that began with A Blaze of Glory, New York Times bestselling author Jeff Shaara returns to chronicle another decisive chapter in America’s long and bloody Civil War. In A Chain of Thunder, the action shifts to the fortress city of Vicksburg, Mississippi. There, in the vaunted “Gibraltar of the Confederacy,” a siege for the ages will cement the reputation of one Union general—and all but seal the fate of the rebel cause.

The demonologist by Pyper, Andrew
Guided by riddles and symbols from the pages of "Paradise Lost," Professor David Ullman, a leading authority on demonic literature, searches for his daughter in Venice after she falls from their hotel, with the last words of "find me".

The drunken botanist --the plants that create the world's great drinks by Stewart, Amy
Sake began with a grain of rice. Scotch emerged from barley, tequila from agave, rum from sugarcane, bourbon from corn. Thirsty yet? In The Drunken Botanist, Amy Stewart explores the dizzying array of herbs, flowers, trees, fruits, and fungi that humans have, through ingenuity, inspiration, and sheer desperation, contrived to transform into alcohol over the centuries.

11/22/63 : a novel by King, Stephen
On November 22, 1963, three shots rang out in Dallas, President Kennedy died, and the world changed. What if you could change it back? When English teacher Jake Epping discovers a portal to the past he decides to use it to prevent the John F. Kennedy assassination.

The Engagements by Sullivan, J. Courtney
A rich, layered, exhilarating novel spanning nearly a hundred years, The Engagements captures four wholly unique marriages, while tracing the story of diamonds in America, and the way—for better or for worse—these glittering stones have come to symbolize our deepest hopes for everlasting love.
**The Execution of Noa P. Singleton** by Silver, Elizabeth L
Silver, a lawyer, brings her background to bear on the story of a woman who is 10 years into her stay on death row. Six months before her scheduled execution date, Noa P. Singleton, who was sentenced to death for the murder of her father’s pregnant girlfriend, Sarah Dixon, is visited by the victim’s mother, Marlene, a high-powered attorney. Marlene has reversed her opinion on the death penalty and is seeking to file a petition of clemency on Noa’s behalf, but Noa is highly skeptical of Marlene’s motives.

**A fort of nine towers : an Afghan family story** by Omar, Qais Akbar
Qais Akbar Omar recounts his childhood when his father, while trying to keep the family safe, was forced to smuggle the family out of Afghanistan after the civil war began.

**Frozen in time : an epic story of survival and a modern quest for lost heroes of World War II** by Zuckoff, Mitchell
In November 1942, a U.S. cargo plane crashed into the Greenland ice cap, the B-17 sent on the search-and-rescue mission got caught in a storm and also crashed, miraculously all nine men aboard survived. A second rescue operation was launched, but the plane, the Grumman Duck, flew into a storm and vanished. The survivors of the B-17 spent 148 days fighting to stay alive while waiting for rescue by famed explorer Bernt Balchen. Then in 2012 the U.S. Coast Guard and North South Polar mount an expedition to solve the mystery of the vanished plane and recover the remains of the lost plane's crew.

**Gold** by Cleave, Chris
Cyclists Zoe and Kate are friends and athletic rivals for Olympic gold, while Kate and her husband Jack, also a world-class cyclist, must contend with the recurrence of their young daughter's leukemia.

**Heading out to wonderful : a novel** by Goolrick, Robert
An attractive and enigmatic stranger recently home from the war in Europe wanders into a small town in Virginia with two suitcases. This much-anticipated follow-up to "A Reliable Wife" is an exciting, erotically charged, and altogether unforgettable story of love gone terribly wrong.

**Inferno : a novel** by Brown, Dan
Harvard professor of symbology Robert Langdon finds himself on the run in Florence and in possession of a series of codes, created by a brilliant scientist obsessed with Dante's classic poem "The Inferno," that may unlock a terrifying secret that could devastate life on earth.

**The interestingss by** Wolitzer, Meg
The summer that Nixon resigns, six teenagers at a summer camp for the arts become inseparable. Decades later the bond remains powerful, but so much else has changed. In *The Interestings*, Wolitzer follows these characters from the height of youth through middle age, as their talents, fortunes, and degrees of satisfaction diverge.

**Life among giants : a novel** by Roebach, Bill
When David "Lizard" Hochmeyer's parents are murdered he sets out on a path to recovery and finding his parents' killer as he finds himself surrounded by a wide variety of famous people.
The light between oceans: a novel by Stedman, M. L.
"A novel set on a remote Australian island, where a childless couple live quietly running a lighthouse, until a boat carrying a baby washes ashore. A lighthouse keeper and his wife make one devastating choice that forever changes two worlds."

Mr. Penumbra's 24-hour bookstore by Sloan, Robin
A gleeful and exhilarating tale of global conspiracy, complex code-breaking, high-tech data visualization, young love, rollicking adventure, and the secret to eternal life—mostly set in a hole-in-the-wall San Francisco bookstore.

Murder as a fine art by Morrell, David
Thomas De Quincey, best known for his sensational memoir Confessions of an Opium Eater, is the prime suspect in a series of horrific murders that paralyze London. The killer seems to be imitating De Quincey's true-crime essay "On Murder Considered as One of the Fine Arts." Desperate to prevent more atrocities but crippled by opium addiction, De Quincey is aided by his brilliant daughter, Emily, as well as two determined Scotland Yard detectives.

My beloved world by Sotomayor, Sonia
Supreme Court justice Sonia Sotomayor shares details about her life, discussing her childhood, education, health, career, appointment, and more.

The Ophelia cut—a novel by Lescroart, John
When a brutal rapist is murdered, a loving father stands accused of the crime. Defense Attorney Dismas Hardy must defend his brother-in-law and old friend Moses McGuire in a thrilling case that hits far too close to home.

Paris: the novel by Rutherfurd, Edward
Presents a multigenerational saga detailing the history of Paris, from its founding under the Romans to the hotbed of cultural activity during the 1920s and 1930s.

The round house by Erdrich, Louise
After Geraldine Coutts is attacked on the Ojibwe reservation in North Dakota, her husband Bazil, a tribal judge, tries to find justice for his wife, and their teenage son Joe tries to help her mother heal.

Saving Italy: the race to rescue a nation's treasures from the Nazis by Edsel, Robert M.
Brilliantly researched and vividly written, Saving Italy brings readers from Milan and the near destruction of The Last Supper to the inner sanctum of the Vatican and behind closed doors with the preeminent Allied and Axis leaders: Roosevelt, Eisenhower, and Churchill; Hitler, Göring, and Himmler.

The silver star by Walls, Jeanette
Jeannette Walls has written a heartbreaking and redemptive novel about an intrepid girl who challenges the injustice of the adult world—a triumph of imagination and storytelling. Jeannette Walls, supremely alert to abuse of adult power, has written a deeply moving novel about triumph over adversity and about people who find a way to love each other and the world, despite its flaws and injustices.
Six years by Coben, Harlan
College professor Jake Sanders can't forget the love of his life Natalie who married another man six years earlier. When Natalie's husband dies Jake attends the funeral, but the mourning widow is not Natalie, and everything he thought he knew about himself and his past comes crashing down.

The storyteller : a novel by Picoult, Jodi
Everyone loves retired teacher and Little League coach Josef Weber, including Sage Singer, who befriends him after they start talking at the bakery where she works. So obviously she's horrified when he asks her to kill him. Then he tells her why he deserves to die, and she's inclined to agree.

Transatlantic : a novel by McCann, Colum
A tale spanning 150 years and two continents reimagines the peace efforts of democracy champion Frederick Douglass, Senator George Mitchell and World War I airmen John Alcock and Teddy Brown through the experiences of four generations of women from a matriarchal clan.

The unlikely pilgrimage of Harold Fry : a novel by Joyce, Rachel
Harold Fry is convinced that he must deliver a letter to an old love in order to save her, meeting various characters along the way and reminiscing about the events of his past and people he has known, as he tries to find peace and acceptance.

World War Z : an oral history of the zombie war by Brooks, Max
Max Brooks, son of actor Mel Brooks, chronicles the fictitious "zombie wars" that nearly decimated the human population, with first-hand accounts from people who have had a brush with the undead and facts and figures documenting how many undead currently roam the planet.

The yellow birds : a novel by Powers, Kevin
In Al Tafar, Iraq, twenty-one-year old Private Bartle and eighteen-year-old Private Murphy's platoon battles for the city; they do everything to protect each other from insurgents, physical fatigue, and the mental stress that comes from constant danger.

Zero hour : a novel from the NUMA files by Cussler, Clive
Kurt Austin, Joe Zavala and the rest of the NUMA team are called on to find the scientist who thinks he has found zero energy before the scientists machines, which one is buried deep in the ground and one in an ocean trench, finally cause the earthquakes he has created into erupting volcanos.

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