

THE MR B'S BOOKSELLER'S DOZEN

JUNE '24



Welcome to the Mr B's Bookseller's Dozen!

These are the books Team B is most excited about this month. And because we can't possibly stop at only 12, our dozen consists of 24 books! With fiction, non-fiction, teen and children's books, there is something for everyone.

Just click on the book covers to find out more and buy. Or [click here](#) to see the full list on the Mr B's website.



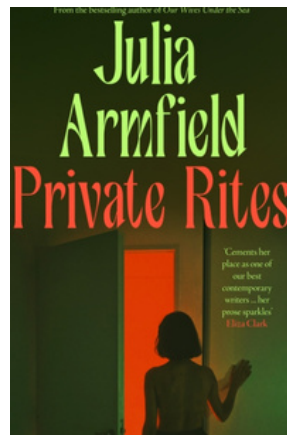
HOW TO LOVE YOUR DAUGHTER
by HILA BLUM
FICTION - 20TH JUNE

Bloomsbury £9.99

Across the street from her daughter's house, a woman sees her granddaughters for the first time. She has not seen her daughter in years, and as she unravels their history, she wonders how someone she loved with all her heart became a stranger.

PRIVATE RITES
by JULIA ARMFIELD
FICTION - 11TH JUNE
HarperCollins £16.99

Amidst a drowned world ravaged by incessant rain, three estranged sisters struggle to grieve their father's passing. Does his architectural brilliance make up for his poor parenting? And how can one life be mourned when the whole world is ending?



THE LAST DAY
by OWAIN OWAIN
FICTION - 6TH JUNE
Parthian £10

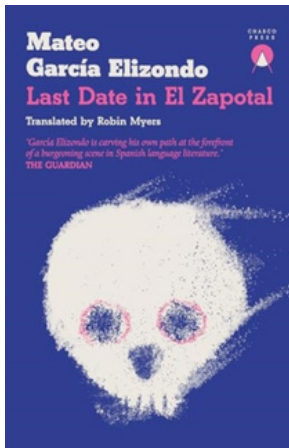
Translated to English for the first time, this Welsh sci-fi cult classic documents a future where robots have won, and the 'lost' 20th Century exists only as a handful of letters written in a minority language the overseers cannot understand... Perfect for fans of *The Employees*, Kurt Vonnegut and Ursula Le Guin.

THE HEART IN WINTER
by KEVIN BARRY
FICTION - 6TH JUNE
Canongate £16.99

Butte, Montana, 1891. Tom Rourke is a young Irishman making a life in this grim and violent city as the town poet. When he falls for Polly, the new wife of a mine owner, everything changes, and the two must ride into the dangerous wilds of America if they are to be together.



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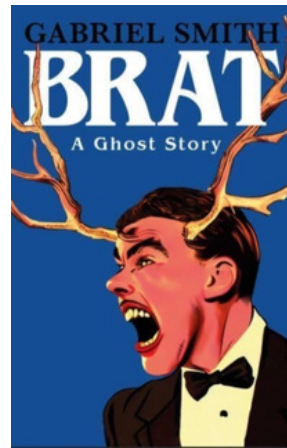


LAST DATE IN EL ZAPOTAL by MATEO GARCÍA ELIZONO

FICTION - 25TH JUNE

Charco Press £11.99

A young junkie arrives in the crumbling, deserted town of El Zapotal looking for one last fix before death. But both the town and his mind are haunted by the ghosts of the past. A stunning work that speaks to the classic *Pedro Paramo*, from the grandson of the great Gabriel Garcia Marquez.



BRAT: A GHOST STORY by GABRIEL SMITH

FICTION - 6TH JUNE

Simon & Schuster £16.99

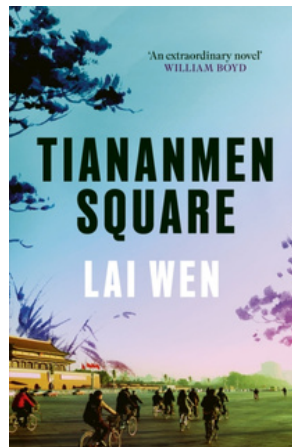
While Gabriel clears out his late father's home, reality seems to unravel. His mother's manuscript changes every time he reads it, there's a deer-man stalking the yard, and worst of all, his skin is peeling off in strips. Surreal, unnerving, and incredibly funny.

TIANANMEN SQUARE by LAI WEN

FICTION - 4TH JUNE

Swift Press £20

A young woman comes of age in 70 and 80s China, a place of brutality and state control, finding books and ideas that prove dangerous as the country heads towards the protests at Tiananmen Square. A stunning historical epic for fans of Pachinko and The Mountains Sing.



THE RACHEL INCIDENT by CAROLINE O'DONOGHUE

FICTION - 6TH JUNE

Little Brown £9.99

Rachel meets James at a bookstore, and it's love at first sight. The two become best friends, play-acting bohemia and fixating on Rachel's married professor and his glamorous, well-connected wife - with disastrous results. A charming, relatable, and very funny look at the chaos of your early twenties.

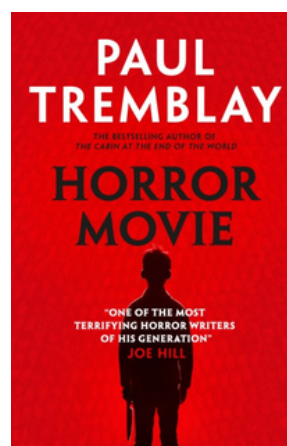


SANDWICH by CATHERINE NEWMAN

FICTION - 6TH JUNE

Transworld £16.99

Rocky loves her annual family holiday at Cape Cod. It is a time to relax and enjoy being sandwiched between her children and her parents. But secrets bubble under the surface of this apparently perfect family. A funny and moving new novel and a perfect summer read.



HORROR MOVIE by PAUL TREMBLAY

FICTION - 11TH JUNE

Titan £19.99

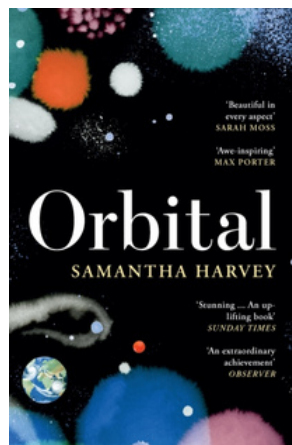
Thirty years after filming *Horror Movie*, a cult indie flic of which only three scenes were ever released, the only surviving member of the original cast is approached for a Hollywood reboot. But playing the Thin Kid all those years ago changed him in ways no one can imagine...

ORBITAL by SAMANTHA HARVEY

FICTION - 27TH JUNE

Vintage £9.99

In this gorgeous day-in-the-life novel, we follow six astronauts on the International Space Station over sixteen orbits of Earth. While they make repairs, conduct experiments, and test the limits of human biology, they're exposed to the awe, terror and beauty of our little blue planet.



FLATLANDS BY SUE HUBBARD

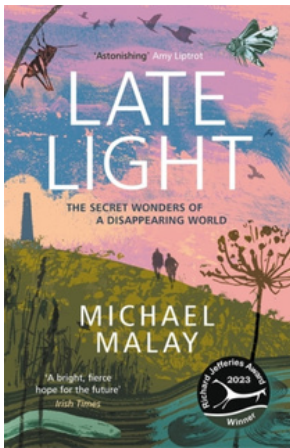
FICTION - 6TH JUNE

Pushkin Press £9.99

Evacuee Freda is forced to leave bomb-struck London. The violence, poverty and frugidity of her new guardians pushes her outside. Out in the fenlands skirting industrial Lincolnshire, she befriends gentle Philip who helps her to find peace in nature.

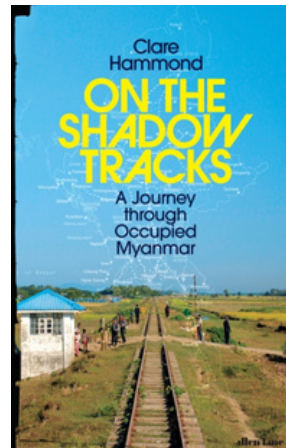


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LATE LIGHT
by **MICHAEL MALAY**
NATURE - 6TH JUNE
Bonnier £10.99

In a world of quickening environmental change, Michael discovers the landscapes and natural history of Britain is one of adaptation and renewal. This is a personal memoir of belonging that relates to and reflects on our ever-changing natural world.

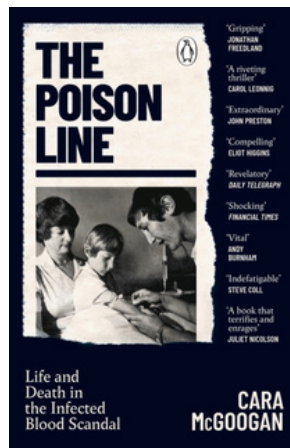


ON THE SHADOW TRACKS
by **CLARE HAMMOND**
HISTORY - 6TH JUNE
Penguin £25

When working in Myanmar in 2016, Hammond came across details of a network of secret railways not shown on any official maps. She spent months travelling them, and the next five years probing their origins. Both an eye-opening travelogue and an uncomfortable historical investigation.

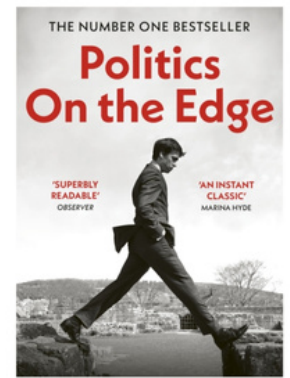
THE POISON LINE
by **CARA MCGOOGAN**
MEDICINE - 16TH MAY
Penguin £10.99

Award-winning journalist Cara McGoogan takes a deep dive into the infected blood scandal. Speaking to lawyers, campaigners, and victims, to bring us the story of the scandal – instigated by the pharmaceutical industry – and monumental government cover-up that followed.

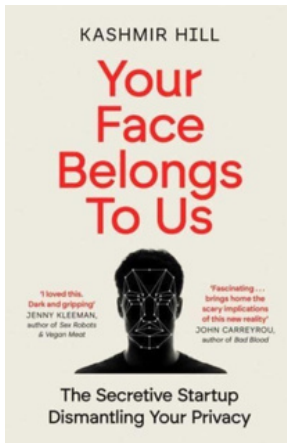


POLITICS ON THE EDGE
by **RORY STEWART**
POLITICS - 6TH JUNE
Vintage £10.99

Former cabinet member and host of *The Rest is Politics* podcast Stewart delivers one of the most extraordinary political memoirs in recent history. Here he documents his rise to challenge for the Conservative leadership, his sacking, and the party's descent towards the gutter.



Rory Stewart



YOUR FACE BELONGS TO US
by **KASHMIR HILL**
TECHNOLOGY - 6TH JUNE
Simon & Schuster £10.99

Hill stumbled upon Clearview AI, a facial recognition software with an extraordinary accuracy rate. Here he follows the tech's shadowy and terrifying journey into the hands of billionaires, law enforcement and others, and its grotesque implications for society at large.

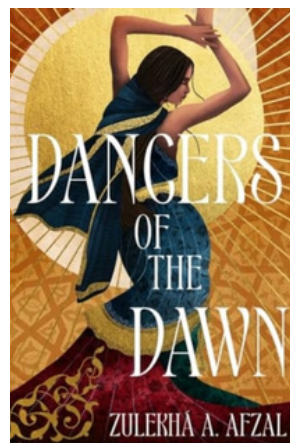


NOTHING EVER JUST DISAPPEARS
by **DIARMUID HESTER**
HISTORY - 6TH JUNE
Penguin £12.99

James Baldwin. Josephine Baker. E. M. Forster. Derek Jarman. Claude Cahun. Jack Smith. Kevin Killian. Seven pioneering queer icons – as well as Paris, Los Angeles, London and more – are brought to vivid life in this riveting and radical group biography.

DANGERS OF THE DAWN
by **ZULEKHA A. AFZAL**
TEEN - 6TH JUNE
Oneworld £16.99

The first in a new romantasy series from an emerging local author! Aasira has always wanted to serve her queen as one of her deadliest assassins, but as her graduation approaches, Aasira isn't sure she was meant to be a killer...



THE NINE NIGHT MYSTERY
by **SHARNA JACKSON**
CHILDREN'S - 6TH JUNE
Penguin £7.99

Three friends. A surprise birthday party gone wrong. A murder. A Caribbean ceremony for souls. This new murder mystery from legendary Sharna Jackson is the perfect summer read for young crime readers! (9+)



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PLAIN JANE AND THE MERMAID
by VERA BROSGOL
GRAPHIC NOVEL - 17TH JUNE
Roaring Brook £12.99

From shop favourite graphic novelist Vera Brosgol comes a new story that flips every fairy tale you know on its head. One girl's crusade for independence is thwarted at every turn, told through Brosgol's unique illustration style. (For 9 – 12 year olds)



**BERTHA AND BLINK:
RUMBLE IN THE JUNGLE**
by NICOLA COLTON
YOUNG READERS - 6TH JUNE
Little Tiger £6.99

A fantastic start to a new STEM meets Nature series for newly independent readers. Bertha is a world renowned bear inventor; when a suspicious noise rocks the forest, she invents Blink the robo bird to help her solve the mystery.

**DUNGEON RUNNERS:
HERO TRIALS**
by KERIAN LARWOOD
YOUNG READERS - 6TH JUNE
Nosy Crow £7.99

An epic new fantasy adventure for young, independent readers from Kieran Larwood brought to life by Joe Todd-Stanton's illustrations. Kit has always dreamt of being a dungeon runner, but do he and his friends have what it takes to win?



WHO ATE STEVE?
by SUSANNAH LLOYD

PICTURE BOOK - 6TH JUNE
Nosy Crow £7.99

A quirky, hilarious picture book with a tiny hint of mystery. Reminiscent of I Want My Hat Back by Jon Klassen, this story is full of inventive story telling, humour, twists and turns that you'll want to read over and over again!



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