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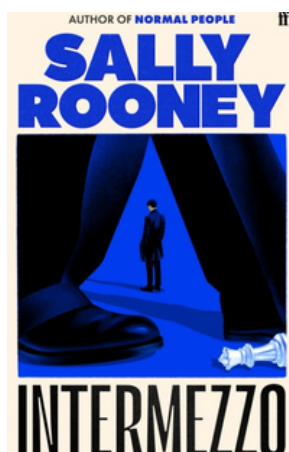
SEPTEMBER '24



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.



INTERMEZZO
by **SALLY ROONEY**
FICTION - 24TH SEPT
Faber & Faber £20

Irish superstar Sally Rooney returns with her hugely anticipated new novel, featuring two Dublin brothers - one a lawyer, the other a competitive chess player - as they negotiate love and desire in the wake of their father's death. Prepare for her most assured and mature work to date!



PLAYGROUND
by **RICHARD POWERS**
FICTION - 26TH SEPT
Cornerstone £20

Four interlocking characters experience life-defining obsessions that capture our human addiction with the natural world. With themes of environmental damage, family trauma, intellectual capacity, race and belonging, Powers inspires moral and emotional questions throughout every strand of the storyline.

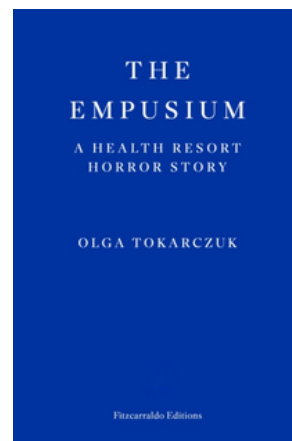
TELL ME EVERYTHING
by **ELIZABETH STROUT**
FICTION - 19TH SEPT
Penguin £16.99

One of America's great modern storytellers returns to Crosby, Maine, to bring together some of her most beloved characters - Lucy Barton, Bob Burgess and Olive Kitteridge - in this beautiful and hopeful novel about the regrets and consolations of life.

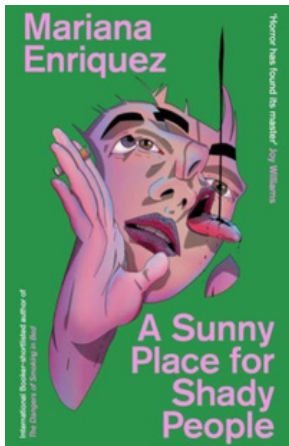


THE EMPUSIUM
by **OLGA TOKARCZUK**
FICTION - 26TH SEPT
Fitzcarraldo £12.99

Mieczyslaw arrives at a mountaintop retreat in rural Poland for treatment for his consumption, where he drinks the hallucinogenic local liquor and joins other men in putting the world to rights. But from the woods, something watches them... A strange, funny new novel from the Nobel Prize winner.



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A SUNNY PLACE FOR SHADY PEOPLE
 by **MARIANA ENRIQUEZ**
 FICTION - 26TH SEPT
 Granta £14.99

The one-and-only Mariana Enriquez – author of *Our Share of Night* – returns with a new collection of macabre stories exploring love, womanhood, LGBTQ counter-culture, parenthood and Argentina's brutal past. Expect disturbing horror and political satire in equal measure!

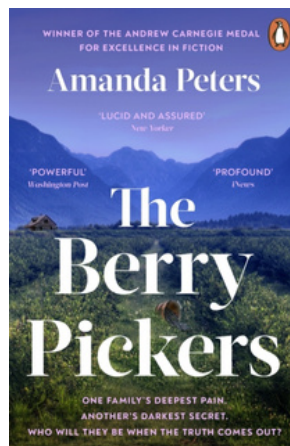


A DARK AND DROWNING TIDE
 by **ALISON SAFT**
 FICTION - 17TH SEPT
 Daphne Press £19.99

When a murder occurs on folklorist Lorelei's expedition looking for a fabled spring, her entire career is at risk, not to mention her life. Dappled with humour and full of romance and creatures lurking in the forest, this is an adult debut filled with charm from a teen fiction star.

THE BERRY PICKERS
 by **AMANDA PETERS**
 FICTION - 12TH SEPT
 Penguin £9.99

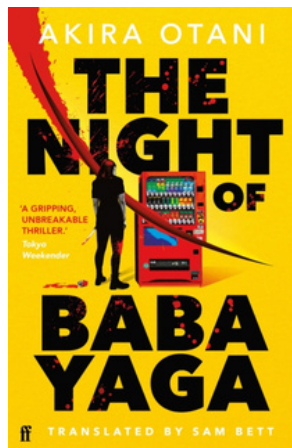
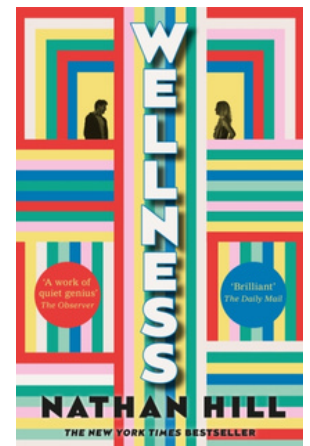
Four-year-old Ruthie vanishes from the berry farm where her family works each summer. Plagued with regret, the family slowly unravels as the years go by without her. Meanwhile, Norma grows up in an affluent Maine family who insist that her vivid memories of berry fields are nothing but a dream...



WELLNESS
 by **NATHAN HILL**

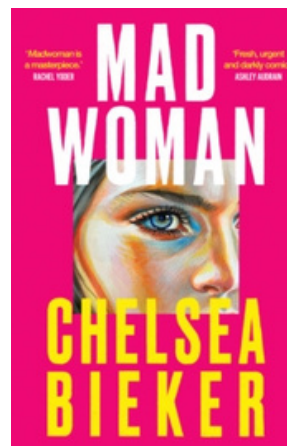
FICTION - 5TH SEPT
 Pan Macmillan £10.99

Jack and Elizabeth meet and fall in love in 90s Chicago. Two decades later, they are married with a son and planning their forever home – making them question everything their lives are built on. Hilarious, immersive and original, perfect for fans of Jonathan Franzen and John Irving.



THE NIGHT OF BABA YAGA
 by **AKIRA OTANI**
 FICTION - 12TH SEPT
 Faber and Faber £9.99

Shindo, a female streetfighter, is kidnapped by the Yakuza and forced to work as bodyguard to the head honcho's daughter. But these two women will not stay in their box forever... a witty, ultra-violent Japanese gangland thriller that reads like a Tarantino script.

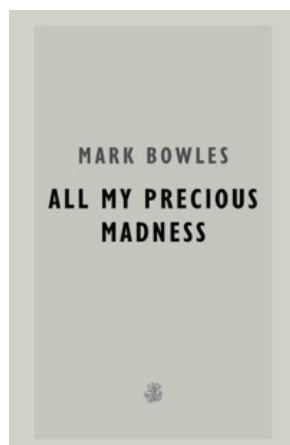


MAD WOMAN
 by **CHELSEA BIEKER**
 FICTION - 5TH SEPT
 Oneworld £16.99

Clove has it all - a loving husband, two beautiful children, a lovely home. But when a letter arrives from a women's prison, her past bleeds into the present, and Clove's perfect life comes crashing down. Dark, witty and utterly compelling, this is the knockout debut of the autumn.

ALL MY PRECIOUS MADNESS
 by **MARK BOWLES**
 FICTION - 19TH SEPT
 Galley Beggar £10.99

Henry, the narrator of *All My Precious Madness* is a man railing against the world he's forced to live in. He's made his way from working class beginnings, through Oxford University and to a life as an academic... but he can only contain his rage for so long.

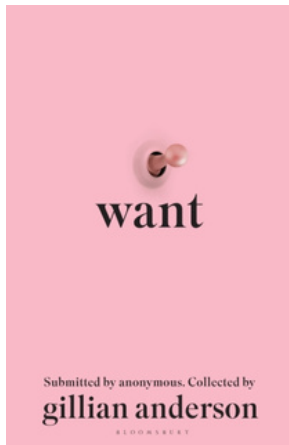


DEAR DICKHEAD
 by **VIRGINIE DESPENTES**
 FICTION - 18TH SEPT
 Quercus £18.99

Oscar is a budding literary star, but when he's accused of sexual misconduct, the only person willing to listen is the infamous actress he's just publicly dismissed. Addiction, #MeToo and the fame monster all get put under the microscope in this heated exchange of messages in Paris during lockdown.



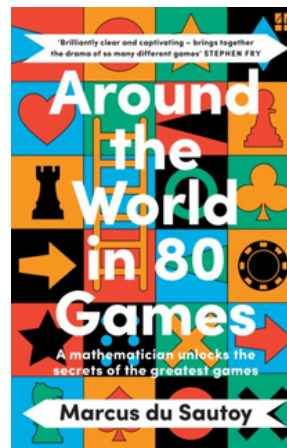
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WANT
by **GILLIAN ANDERSON**

ESSAYS - 5TH SEPT
Bloomsbury £18.99

Legendary actor Gillian Anderson collects the anonymous submissions of women (including herself) from around the world on the subject of desire. Taken together, these extraordinary fantasies throw the curtains open on our fears, intimacies, shame, satisfaction and, ultimately, liberation.



AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 GAMES

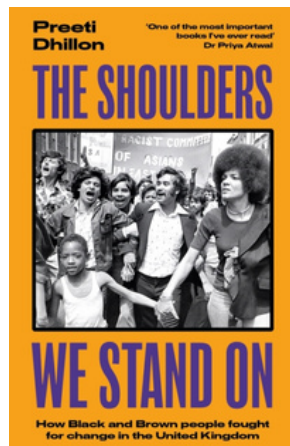
by **MARCUS DU SAUTOY**
MATHS - 1ST SEPT
Fourth Estate £10.99

Where should you move first in Connect 4? Which property is best in Monopoly? How can pi help you win Rock Paper Scissors? Marcus du Sautoy takes us on a fun and informative tour of the world of game-playing, showing how maths can sharpen your gameplay!

THE SHOULDERS WE STAND ON

by **PREETI DHILLON**
HISTORY - 5TH SEPT
Dialogue £10.99

Filled with inspiring and deeply profound narratives, Preeti Dhillon uncovers crucial moments from our living history and the movements that changed the lives for the Black and Brown communities in Britain between the 1960s and 1980s.



THE LIE OF THE LAND

by **GUY SHRUBSOLE**
NATURE - 12TH SEPT
Harper Collins £22

Just 1% of the population owns more than half the land in England and, while they like to style themselves as good custodians, the truth is very different. Shrubsole travels the country to call out the country's worst landowners – and finds the locals fighting back.

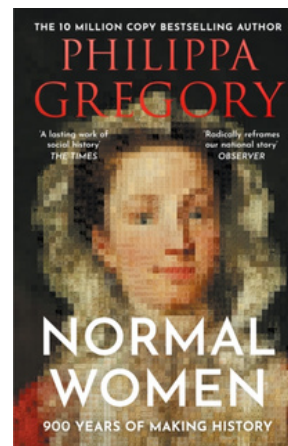


THE INVENTION OF GOOD AND EVIL

by **HANNO SAUER**
HISTORY - 12TH SEPT

Profile £25

Morality is the bedrock of how we have built our societies, our laws and our customs – but it's also been used to instil shame and compliance. Here, Sauer traces morality's roots and its major shifts, from our distant ancestors to the present day.



NORMAL WOMEN

by **PHILIPPA GREGORY**
HISTORY - 26TH SEPT

Harper Collins £10.99

One of our most beloved historical novelists turns her hand to non-fiction in this riveting re-framing of English history. Bringing women out from the shadows, she finds thieves, beggars, brides, pirates, hermits and many others who will make you think again about how a nation is built.

THE DAGGER & THE FLAME

by **CATHERINE DOYLE**

TEEN - 26TH SEPT

The most anticipated romantasy of the year from the author of *Twin Crowns*, it's impossible not to be swept away by this enemies-to-lovers tale set in a world of assassins and cobbled streets, murder and love. What more could you want?



FEATHER & CLAW

by **MARTA PALAZZESI**

CHILDREN'S - 26TH SEPT

Templar £12.99

Valencia, 1914. After dark, Amparo becomes a hawk and Tomas transforms into a panther. Both return to human form at dusk. Can the pair work together to find the truth of their past, and find a path to acceptance? Stunning fantasy for readers aged 9+.



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MURDER! BY NARWHAL!
by ALEX T. SMITH
CHILDREN'S - 31ST SEPT
Hachette £8.99

National treasure Alex T. Smith's first illustrated series for older readers is smashing it out of the gate! In this hilarious whodunnit, Sir Ignatius Gristle is murdered at his country estate, and his granddaughter is the only one who can solve this head scratching crime!



BADGERS ARE GO!
by SUSANNAH LLOYD
YOUNG READERS - 12TH SEPT
David Fickling £7.99

When Lulu Whifferton-Rear discovers that some humans are in fact BOPs (Badger Operated Persons), she enters the world of the Ruffington Academy of Badgering, intent on saving the world. A fun and original adventure story about staying true to yourself!

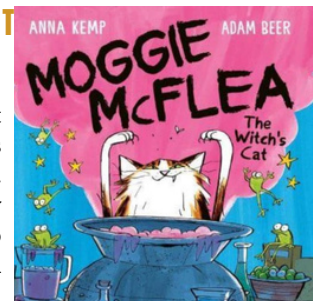
THE LAND OF LOST THINGS
by ANDY GRIFFITHS
CHILDREN'S - 5TH SEPT
Pan Macmillan £12.99

The author of the bestselling *Treehouse* books returns with this brand-new illustrated series. From the deep sea to the farthest reaches of space, follow a wild cast of characters through worlds filled with danger, pirates, madcap adventures and unbridled hilarity!



MOGGIE MCFLEA
by ANNA KEMP
PICTURE BOOK - 26TH SEPT
Simon & Schuster £7.99

The maddest, baddest, most mischievous cat in town is ready to cause some ruckus. When Moggie gets adopted by sweet Magda, things do not go to plan. This sharp, colourful story is brought to life through its incredible and expressive illustrations.



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