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The Sleeping Beauty Proposal

Penguin Despairing of finding Mr. Right after years of tiresome dating, thirty-six-year-old Genie Michaels nevertheless falls for a best-selling author who proposes on national television to an anonymous other woman, a humiliating event after which Genie pretends to be the man's fiancée. By the author of The Cinderella Pact. Reprint.

Sweet Love

Penguin A delicious novel about the power of love-and dessert-by the national bestselling author. Betty Mueller believed she did right by secretly ending her daughter Julie's relationship with Michael Slayton, a wild, older neighborhood heartthrob. Twenty years later, Betty has come to realize her mistake. Workaholic Julie is now the single mom of a teenager-and Michael, the one man who could make her happy, has been out of her life for the past two decades. Determined to make amends, Betty schemes to reunite the couple in a dessert class. And with the love of her mother and daughter, her own determination, and lots of chocolate, Julie's chance for romance is all the higher...

The Cinderella Pact

Penguin Soon to be a Lifetime movie called "Lying to be Perfect" When Nola Devlin is turned down for her dream job because she's overweight, she decides to become thin-or, at least, pretend to be. The alter ego she creates-the thin, British, hip, and did we mention thin Belinda Apple-is a smashing success who is offered movie proposals, national television appearances and even dates...though no one's met her in person, of course. Then Nola takes Belinda a bit too far, and is forced to join "The Cinderella Pact" and drop the pounds. As the weight comes off, however, Nola's problems begin to mount. Watch a Video

The Penny Pinchers Club

A Novel

Penguin Living in suburban New Jersey, Kat has a pretty serious retail habit. Now it looks like her husband Griff is having an affair...and setting up a secret bank account in preparation for a divorce. Suspecting her spending habits may be driving him away, Kat's determined to save her marriage by saving some money. But when her rich ex-fiancé turns up with a tempting bargain, she'll have to decide whether love conquers mall...

Bubbles Betrothed

What Bubbles is all too aware of, however, is that so far this week she's been arrested, shared a cell with a crazed murder suspect who promptly dropped dead and nearly lost her precious daughter in a highly suspicious explosion. She's been kidnapped by mobsters, received a couple of death threats and survived the latest visit from her mother - all without breaking a nail. Now the 21st-century's sexiest crime-fighter must investigate the gruesome murder of Liberty High School's longest-serving Principal while trying to find a missing foot doctor, avoid the Polish Mafioso and fend off the jealous hoards of Mrs Stiletto wannabes...

How Zoe Made Her Dreams (Mostly) Come True

Harper Collins Like Meg Cabot, Sarah Strohmeier has a gift for creating smart, funny girls teen readers love. She's done it again with Zoe, heroine of her latest romcom. In YA novel How Zoe Made Her Dreams (Mostly) Come True, Zoe learns there is a dark core under the glittering façade of the fairy-tale themed amusement park (cough, Disneyland, cough) where she's a summer intern. For starters, her boss has a blacker heart than Snow White's stepmother, and the other interns are worse backstabbers than Cinderella's step-

sisters. On the upside, she has the chance of romance with a real-life Prince Charming, and a shot at winning a big heap of cash. If she can just live through a summer in the Fairyland Kingdom.

Bubbles Ablaze

Penguin A bizarre murder scene leads not-so-dumb blonde Bubbles Yablonsky and her main squeeze into the heart of a conspiracy linked to a secret cadre of strange women, and a mysterious assassin who wants Bubbles's investigation to go up in flames....

The Secret Lives of Fortunate Wives

A Novel

Berkley A tale of love and betrayal among the gated-in communities of American suburbia finds Ohio socialite Marti Denton realizing her passionate love for John Harding in the wake of his impulsive marriage to a socially awkward newspaper reporter. By the author of *Bubbles Betrothed*. Reprint. 40,000 first printing.

Do I Know You?

A Novel of Suspense

HarperCollins "A fabulous read packed with suspense, unexpected twists, glamour and humor. Prepare to be gripped from the first to the last page!" —Liane Moriarty *For readers of Lisa Jewell, Liv Constantine, and Megan Miranda, a lightning-paced psychological thriller that the New York Times Book Review says "kept me reading, near breathless, until all assumptions were gloriously upended" about two women, a tragedy that connects them as teenagers, and the terrible reckoning that will decide their fates a decade later Jane Ellison is a "super recognizer" able to identify strangers by the slightest facial details—the curve of a head, the arch of an eyebrow. When she spies human rights activist and heiress Bella Valencia in a crowded Boston airport, Jane's convinced she's found the person responsible for her sister Kit's disappearance and presumed death eleven years earlier. But her attempt to detain the suspect ends with Jane herself fired and humiliated. As Bella prepares to marry Will Pease, scion of the uber-wealthy, influential, and ruthless Pease family, famous for their wholesome wellness and lifestyle brand, on their private Cape Cod island, she grows increasingly anxious that her dire secret will be revealed and used against her by—of all people—the man she loves. She has reason to fear: Jane is ready to risk everything for the chance to publicly expose Bella's crimes at her upcoming celebrity wedding. But the more she digs into what happened that night, the more she questions her own assumptions. Combining magnetic, wise-cracking narration and a skillfully layered plot, *Do I Know You?* is a gripping psychological thriller and tale of redemption that reveals the power of a sister's love.*

The Secrets of Lily Graves

Harper Collins *Gone Girl* meets *Six Feet Under* in bestselling author Sarah Strohmeyer's romantic YA mystery about a girl who must unravel a web of lies in her small town before it's too late. Descended from a long line of female morticians, Lily Graves knows all about buried secrets. So after senior-class president Erin Donohue—perfect saint to the community—turns up dead, Lily believes it's her job to find the culprit. But Lily has feelings for Erin's ex-boyfriend, Matt, which makes both of them suspects and makes Lily's investigation . . . complicated. As her world crumbles around her, Lily must figure out the difference between truth and deception, between genuine love and a web of lies. And she must do it quickly, before the killer claims another victim. Fans of Sara Shepard who enjoy realistic contemporary fiction with a dash of mystery will love the secrets, lies, and romance swirling in this sexy, intriguing novel.

Kindred Spirits

Penguin After one fateful PTA meeting, four young mothers—Lynne, Mary Kay, Beth, and Carol—discovered they had more in common than they ever thought possible. Meeting once a month, the women would share laughs and secrets, toasting to their blossoming friendship with the clink of their sacred martini glasses. Two years later, when Lynne passes away suddenly, she leaves behind one simple request: that her old friends sort through her belongings. The women reunite to rummage through her closets, and buried deep within Lynne's lingerie drawer, they find an envelope addressed to their little society... Inside is a letter that reveals Lynn's shocking secret and last wish, sending the women on a life-changing journey that will reveal to them that nothing is more powerful than the will of a true girlfriend—and a good, strong martini.

Bubbles All the Way

Penguin Wise-cracking, big-haired reporter Bubbles Yablonsky, while dealing with her boyfriend, her persistent ex-husband, and a mysterious Santa Claus, must prove that Sandy, the owner of the House of Beauty, did not kill Debbie Shatsky, who met her demise at the hands of hair glue. Original.

Bubbles in Trouble

Bubbles Yablonsky is in trouble. Her expose of corruption in Lehigh's social heights has infuriated the local paper's editor, so she's still a full-time hairdresser and only an occasional reporter. Her freeloading ex is back on her sofa after his socialite wife threw him out, her daughter's in love, and her mother thinks she's Jackie O. Plus Bubbles's chastity vow is not yet broken, which means sexy photographer Steve Stiletto's heart has remained just out of reach. Then her pool-table-top rendition of Free Bird at a drunken hen party gives the bride-to-be second thoughts. Bubbles is blamed when Janice never arrives in church, and goes to investigate. She finds Janice's home empty - apart from the murdered body of her uncle Elwood. Bubbles suspects this could make a great story, and she wants her friend back. But tracking Janice down won't be easy. Following her to Whoopee, Pennsylvania, Bubbles must go undercover as an Amish woman, with no hairdryer, no make-up and no lycra - her idea of hell. But if the murderer finds out who Bubbles really is, being caught au naturel will be the least of her worries...

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We Love to Entertain

A Novel

HarperCollins From the bestselling author of Do I Know You? comes a fast-paced, riveting psychological thriller that skewers our modern obsession with home renovation and fixer-uppers. Holly and Robert Barron are attractive young real-estate investors and contestants in a competition run by To the Manor Build, the nation's most popular home renovation app. With millions in product endorsements and online followers at stake, they're rehabbing a Vermont home they scored at a bargain price into a chic hilltop estate ideal for entertaining. It's all camera-ready laughs and debates over herringbone tile until Holly and Robert go missing hours after their picture-perfect wedding—leaving behind a bloody trail. Suspicion falls quickly on Erika Turnbull, the Barrons' twenty-something assistant—eager, efficient, and secretly in love with Robert. Did Erika let her misguided passion turn her into a murderer? So claim the townsfolk of Snowden, Vermont, who still haven't forgiven her for a tragic accident back in high school. But Erika's mother, Kim, is not about to let small-town gossip and a cop with an axe to grind destroy her daughter—again. With time running out and their own lives at risk, the mother-daughter duo set out to find what really happened to the Barrons. First, though, they'll have to confront the vengeful former owner of Holly and Robert's estate, ruthless reality-show producers, and a secret that might bring their own house down. Fast-paced, full of humor, and undeniably twisty, We Love to Entertain is another winner from Sarah Strohmeier.

Smart Girls Get What They Want

Harper Collins Gigi, Bea, and Neerja are best friends and total overachievers. Even if they aren't the most popular girls in school, they aren't too worried. They know their real lives will begin once they get to their Ivy League colleges. There will be ivy, and there will be cute guys in the libraries (hopefully with English accents)! But when an unexpected event shows them they're missing out on the full high school experience, it's time to come out of the honors lounge and into the spotlight. They make a pact: They will each take on their greatest challenge—and they will totally rock it. Gigi decides to run for student rep, but she'll have to get over her fear of public speaking—and go head-to-head with gorgeous California Will. Bea used to be one of the best skiers around, until she was derailed. It could be time for her to take the plunge again. And Neerja loves the drama club but has always stayed behind the scenes—until now. These friends are determined to show the world that smart girls really can get what they want—but that could mean getting way more attention than they ever bargained for. . . .

Bubbles Unbound

She may be a hairdresser with the body of a Barbie doll and a fatal weakness for hot pants, but Bubbles Yablonsky is not just another dumb blonde. She's determined to turn her taste for gossip into a talent for journalism, and she knows a secret about the death of Laura Buchman that could be her Big Break. Plus, she gets to work with photographer Steve Stiletto - a dead ringer for Mel Gibson, and exactly the kind of mysterious, dangerous man her mother warned her against. But Bubbles soon discovers that while brazen bravado gets results, some people will do anything to keep her quiet...

The Sleeping Beauty and Other Fairy Tales from the Old

French - Illustrated by Edmund Dulac

Read Books Ltd *The Sleeping Beauty and Other Fairy Tales from the Old French* contains a collection of stories, adapted and translated by Sir Arthur Thomas Quiller-Couch. Quiller-Couch was a Cornish writer, who published under the pen-name of Q. Originally penned by such famed folklorists as Charles Perrault and Madame D'Aulnoy, these stories proved to their original seventeenth century readers that such works were important, enjoyable, as well as thought-provoking. The stories in this particular text encompass favourites such as 'Sleeping Beauty', 'Blue Beard', 'Cinderella, or the Little Glass Slipper', and 'Beauty and the Beast.' This edition of *Sleeping Beauty and Other Fairy Tales* further contains a set of dazzling coloured illustrations by a true master of the 'Golden Age'; Edmund Dulac (1882 - 1953). A French artist himself, Dulac had a particular affinity with these Old French tales as well as a rigorously painterly background. The end result was beautifully coloured images which further refined the wonderful stories of Perrault, D'Aulnoy - retold by Arthur Quiller-Couch. Appearing alongside the text, his illustrations enhance and elucidate the enchanting narratives.

This Is My Brain on Boys

HarperCollins Jane Austen's *Emma* meets *The Rosie Project* in this quirky, irresistible, romantic comedy from Sarah Strohmeyer, the author of *Smart Girls Get What They Want*. Addie Emerson doesn't believe in love. Not for herself anyway. With one year left of high school, she's more interested in snagging a full scholarship to Harvard than a full-time boyfriend. That doesn't mean she's oblivious to the ways of the heart. Or, rather, the head. Because after months of research, Addie has discovered how to make anyone fall in love. All you need is the secret formula. But will her discovery be enough to win the coveted Athenian Award and all its perks? (See above, full scholarship to Harvard.) Or will she be undone by Dexter, her backstabbing lab partner, who is determined to deep-six her experiments at their exclusive private school? Those are the least of her problems now that she's survived a death-defying flight with a mysterious, dark-haired boy, who has delicious chocolate-brown eyes and a few secrets of his own. With an experiment to mastermind, an infatuated exchange student on her hands, and at least one great white shark (more on that later), can Addie's prefrontal cortex outwit her heart? Or will she have to give in to her amygdala and find out, once and for all, if this thing called love is more than just her brain on drugs?

Girls Who Travel

Penguin A hilarious, deftly written debut novel about a woman whose wanderlust is about to show her that sometimes you don't have to travel very far to become the person you want to be... There are many reasons women shouldn't travel alone. But as foul-mouthed, sweet-toothed Kika Shores knows, there are many more reasons why they should. After all, most women want a lot more out of life than just having fun. Kika, for one, wants to experience the world. But ever since she returned from her yearlong backpacking tour, she's been steeped in misery, battling rush hour with all the other suits. Getting back on the road is all she wants. So when she's offered a nanny job in London - the land of Cadbury Cream Eggs - she's happy at the prospect of going back overseas and getting paid for it. But as she's about to discover, the most exhilarating adventures can happen when you stay in one place... Wise, witty, and hilarious, *Girls Who Travel* is an unforgettable novel about the highs and lows of getting what you want—and how it's the things you least expect that can change your life.

The Bourbon Kings

Penguin "For generations, the Bradford family has worn the mantle of kings of the bourbon capital of the world. Their sustained wealth has afforded them prestige and privilege--as well as a hard-won division of class on their sprawling estate, Easterly. Upstairs, a dynasty that by all appearances plays by the rules of good fortune and good taste. Downstairs, the staff who work tirelessly to maintain the impeccable Bradford facade. And never the twain shall meet. For Lizzie King, Easterly's head gardener, crossing that divide nearly ruined her life. Falling in love with Tulane, the prodigal son of the bourbon dynasty, was nothing that she intended or wanted--and their bitter breakup only served to prove her instincts were right. Now, after two years of staying away, Tulane is finally coming home again, and he is bringing the past with him. No one will be left unmarked: not Tulane's beautiful and ruthless wife; not his older brother, whose bitterness and bad blood know no bounds; and especially not the ironfisted Bradford patriarch, a man with few morals, fewer scruples, and many, many terrible secrets. As family tensions--professional and intimately private--ignite, Easterly and all its inhabitants are thrown into the grips of an irrevocable transformation, and only the cunning will survive"--

Blood Kiss

Penguin The legacy of the *Black Dagger Brotherhood* continues in this gripping spin-off series from #1 New York Times bestselling author J.R. Ward. Paradise, blooded daughter of the king's First Advisor, is ready to break free from the restrictive life of an aristocratic female. Her strategy? Join the *Black Dagger Brotherhood's* training center program and learn to fight for herself, think for herself...be herself. It's a good plan, until everything goes wrong. The schooling is unfathomably difficult, the other recruits feel more like enemies than allies, and it's very clear that the Brother in charge, Butch O'Neal, a.k.a. the Dhestroyer, is having serious problems in his own life. And that's before she falls in love with a fellow classmate. Craeg, a common civilian, is nothing her father would ever want for her, but everything she could ask for in a male. As an act of violence threatens to tear apart the entire program, and the erotic pull between them grows irresistible, Paradise is tested in ways she never anticipated--and left wondering whether she's strong enough to claim her own power...on the field, and off.

Lucie Yi Is Not a Romantic

Penguin An ambitious career woman signs up for a co-parenting website only to find a match she never expected, in this unflinchingly funny and honest novel from the author of *Last Tang Standing*. Management consultant Lucie Yi is done waiting for Mr. Right. After a harrowing breakup foiled her plans for children—and drove her to a meltdown in a Tribeca baby store—she’s ready to take matters into her own hands. She signs up for an elective co-parenting website to find a suitable partner with whom to procreate—as platonic as family planning can be. Collin Read checks all of Lucie’s boxes; he shares a similar cultural background, he’s honest, and most important, he’s ready to become a father. When they match, it doesn’t take long for Lucie to take a leap of faith for her future. So what if her conservative family might not approve? When Lucie becomes pregnant, the pair return to Singapore and, sure enough, her parents refuse to look on the bright side. Even more complicated, Lucie’s ex-fiancé reappears, sparking unresolved feelings and compounding work pressures and the baffling ways her body is changing. Suddenly her straightforward arrangement is falling apart before her very eyes, and Lucie will have to decide how to juggle the demands of the people she loves while pursuing the life she really wants.

Bubbles a Broad

Irresistible hairdressing reporter Bubbles Yablonsky is back, with the dubious help of her loony mother and precocious teenage daughter, on the trail of a frightening villain, in her search for the biggest scoop of her life.

Crucibles

The Story of Chemistry from Ancient Alchemy to Nuclear Fission

Courier Corporation Classic popular account of the great chemists Trevisan, Paracelsus, Avogadro, Mendeléeff, the Curies, Thomson, Lavoisier, and others, up to A-bomb research and recent work with subatomic particles. 20 illustrations.

The Sleeping Beauty

Courier Corporation Disgruntled at not being invited to the princess's christening, the wicked fairy casts a spell that dooms the princess to sleep for a hundred years, until a prince awakens her with a kiss.

The Great Gatz

Penguin A dog tries his best to keep his two co-parenting owners and their happiness afloat in this hilarious and touching sequel to *Joint Custody* by Lauren Baratz-Logsted and Jackie Logsted. The Man is happy. The Woman is happy. That means Gatz is happy. He'd like to forget about the trouble he made to get them back together—only slightly ashamed at his antics—and focus on the future. The Woman and New Man are about to get married, after all. But when The Woman loses her job because of some bad press about the two of them, her confidence is broken and she can't help but feel resentful towards New Man when his own career stays intact. Gatz has to give it to him; New Man remains as patient as a saint (of course he does). The Man is doing better, too, thanks to the New Woman in his life, who just so happens to be a writer as well. But two authors in the same relationship can sometimes be one too many, and they find themselves getting quite competitive with each other. But Gatz has faith in them—The Man did learn from his mistakes, didn't he? Gatz doesn't know what happened to these two perfectly happy couples, but he knows one thing is for sure: not all families are alike, and happiness can be found in the unlikeliest pockets—just like treats!

Heart of Gold

Given the opportunity to excavate on Farrell Mountain, the site of a Revolutionary War skirmish in which a doomed group of minutemen lost their lives--and the gold they were carrying--beautiful archaeologist Carter Wessex finds herself drawn to the mountain's owner, Nick Farrell. Original.

Cure for the Common Breakup

Penguin Welcome to Black Dog Bay, a tiny seaside town in Delaware known as “the best place in America to bounce back from your breakup.” Home to the Better Off Bed-and-Breakfast, the Eat Your Heart Out bakery, and the Whinery bar, Black Dog Bay offers a haven for the suddenly single. Flight attendant Summer Benson lives by two rules: Don’t stay with the same man for too long and never stay in one place. She’s about to break rule number one by considering accepting her boyfriend’s proposal—then disaster strikes and her world is shattered in an instant. Summer heads to Black Dog Bay, where the locals welcome her. Even Hattie Huntington, the town’s oldest, richest, and meanest resident, likes her enough to give her a job. Then there’s Dutch Jansen, the rugged, stoic mayor, who’s the opposite of her type. She probably shouldn’t be kissing him. She definitely shouldn’t be falling in love. After a lifetime of globe-trotting, Summer has finally found a home. But Hattie has old scores to settle and a hidden agenda for her newest employee. Summer finds herself faced with an impossible choice: Leave Black Dog Bay behind forever, or stay with the ones she loves and cost them everything....

The Cinderella Pact

Penguin STROHMEYER/CINDERELLA PACT

Straight Talking

A Novel

*Crown Meet Tasha—single and still searching. A producer for Britain's most popular morning show working under a nightmare boss, Tash is well-versed in the trials and tribulations of twenty-first century dating. She and her three best friends certainly haven't lived the fairy tale they thought they would: there's Andy, who's hooked on passion, but too much of a tomboy to have moved much beyond the beer-drinking contest stage; Mel, stuck in a steady but loveless relationship; and Emma, endlessly waiting for her other half to propose. Their love lives are only complicated by the sort of men who seem to drift in and out: Andrew—suave, good-looking and head over heels in love . . . with himself; Simon, who is allergic to commitment but has a bad-boy nature that's impossible to resist; and Adam—perfectly attractive, but too sweet to be sexy. The bestselling first novel that launched Jane Green, one of the brightest stars in contemporary women's fiction, *Straight Talking* sets the record straight regarding the real world of dating, and follows the adventures of Tash and her friends as they search for fulfillment and the right kind of love. Funny, flirty, and ultimately tender, *Straight Talking* gets at the heart of modern romance.*

Sweet Love

Penguin STROHMEYER/SWEET LOVE

Barbie Unbound

A Parody of the Barbie Obsession

New Victoria Pub Satirically explores Barbie dolls in different guises and professions, including Grunge Barbie, PMS Barbie, Virginia Slims Barbie, Barbie Antoinette, and Anita Hill Barbie

Empire of Ecstasy

Nudity and Movement in German Body Culture, 1910-1935

Univ of California Press Empire of Ecstasy offers a novel interpretation of the explosion of German body culture between the two wars: nudism and nude dancing, gymnastics and dance training, dance photography and criticism, and diverse genres of performance from solo dancing to mass movement choirs. Karl Toepfer presents this dynamic subject as a vital and historically unique construction of "modern identity," which stimulated often contradictory impulses, desires, and ambitions in participants and enthusiasts. Through the presentation and analysis of unpublished archival material (including many little-known photographs) and the reclamation of forgotten discourses of fashion, gymnastics, nudism, and the visual arts, he investigates the process of constructing an "empire" of appropriative impulses toward ecstasy. Toepfer presents the work of well-known figures such as Rudolf Laban, Mary Wigman, and Oskar Schlemmer, as well as many obscure but equally fascinating practitioners of German body culture. His book is certain to become required reading for historians of dance, body culture, and modernism.

A History of African American Autobiography

Cambridge University Press This History explores innovations in African American autobiography since its inception, examining the literary and cultural history of Black self-representation amid life writing studies. By analyzing the different forms of autobiography, including pictorial and personal essays, editorials, oral histories, testimonials, diaries, personal and open letters, and even poetry performance media of autobiographies, this book extends the definition of African American autobiography, revealing how people of African descent have created and defined the Black self in diverse print cultures and literary genres since their arrival in the Americas. It illustrates ways African Americans use life writing and autobiography to address personal and collective Black experiences of identity, family, memory, fulfillment, racism and white supremacy. Individual chapters examine scrapbooks as a source of self-documentation, African American autobiography for children, readings of African American persona poems, mixed-race life writing after the Civil Rights Movement, and autobiographies by African American LGBTQ writers.

Spirit and the Obligation of Social Flesh

A Secular Theology for the Global City

Fordham Univ Press Drawing on philosophical reflection, spiritual and religious values, and somatic practice, Spirit and the Obligation of Social Flesh offers guidance for moving amidst the affective dynamics that animate the streets of the global cities now amassing around our planet. Here theology turns decidedly secular. In urban medieval Europe, seculars were uncloistered persons who carried their spiritual passion and sense of an obligated life into daily circumambulations of the city. Seculars lived in the city, on behalf of the city, but—contrary to the new profit economy of the time—with a different locus of value: spirit. Betcher argues that for seculars today the possibility of a devoted life, the practice of felicity in history, still remains. Spirit now names a necessary “prosthesis,” a locus for regenerating the elemental commons of our interdependent flesh and thus for cultivating spacious and fearless empathy, forbearance, and generosity. Her theological poetics, though based in Christianity, are frequently in conversation with other religions resident in our postcolonial cities.

It Had to Be You

Harper Collins The Windy City isn't quite ready for Phoebe Somerville—the outrageous, curvaceous New York knockout who has just inherited the Chicago Stars football team. And Phoebe is definitely not ready for the Stars' head coach, former gridiron legend Dan Calebow, a sexist jock taskmaster with a one-track mind. Calebow is everything Phoebe abhors. And the sexy new boss is everything Dan despises—a meddling bimbo who doesn't know a pigskin from a pitcher's mound. So why is Dan drawn to the shameless sexpot like a heat-seeking missile? And why does the coach's good ol' boy charm leave cosmopolitan Phoebe feeling awkward, tongue-tied . . . and ready to fight? The sexy, heartwarming, and hilarious “prequel” to This Heart of Mine—Susan Elizabeth Phillips's New York Times bestselling blockbuster—It Had To Be You is an enchanting story of two stubborn people who believe in playing for keeps.

Murder Melts in Your Mouth

A Blackbird Sisters Mystery

Penguin Sensible Philadelphia debutante Nora Blackbird turns sleuth when her friend Lexie becomes the prime suspect in the killing of a prominent Philadelphia philanthropist, but her investigation is complicated by the return of her scheming parents.

Armed and Glamorous

A Crime of Fashion Mystery

Penguin Trench coats? hot or not? The author of Grave Apparel proves you can solve mysteries without sacrificing style... Unchallenged and unappreciated, fashion reporter Lacey Smithsonian slips on her trench coat and high-heeled gumshoes to pursue a course in private investigation and a shot at a better job. When a wealthy and erratic D.C. socialite is discovered quite dead outside the classroom, Lacey gets to test those sleuthing skills. Was the victim on her way to share a dangerous secret with Smithsonian? And what does it have to do with a missing Louis Vuitton vintage custom makeup case? Lacey must mix style with substance to unravel these tangled threads before she, or one of her best friends, gets caught in the sights of a cold-blooded killer?

Theatre/Archaeology

Routledge Theatre/Archaeology is a provocative challenge to disciplinary practice and intellectual boundaries. It brings together radical proposals in both archaeological and performance theory to generate a startlingly original and intriguing methodological framework.