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FRANKENSTEIN

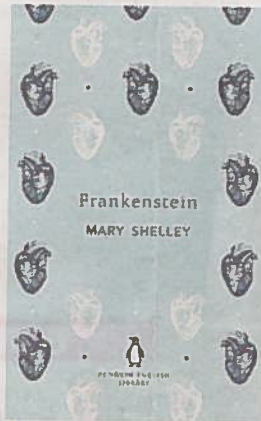
Mary Shelley

The Gothic horror classic was written by Shelley when she was just 18. Inspired by the scientific developments of her day, she wrote this dark tale of a man bent on creating life and defying death... and then getting his comeuppance.

Francesca says: The drawn-out narrative won't be for everyone but for pure Gothic romance, it's a must-read. Frankenstein's obsession with life, death and science is utterly compelling and there's enough psychological drama to keep things tense.

You say: It is terrifying but not in a modern "horror movie" kind of way - more in the way it makes us realise how dangerous and cruel other people are. It didn't give me nightmares but it did leave me feeling sad. Louisa FitzGerald, Facebook

I liked that the monster is made a monster by the treatment he receives from humanity. But I didn't find it frightening. Trevor Hayman, by email



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SEVEN YEARS TO SIN

Sylvia Day

Seven years ago, Lady Jessica witnessed a raunchy encounter in the woods and the scene stayed with her. Now she has the chance to see if the reality is as good as her memory.

Francesca says: The book is a historical romance. What did you think of Sylvia Day's take on the period?

You say: Alistair and Jessica are shining examples of historical characters written right. It was an accurate

view on things women had to go through. Felicia Hamlett, by email

It kept me intrigued and I loved the era. One of my favourites! @PeekMrs Complete pants. It failed to create a historical aura. @jwchelseaaolcom



A ZOO IN MY LUGGAGE

Gerald Durrell

When Gerald and his wife Jacqui headed out to Cameroon in the 1950s they had one aim - to collect enough animals for their own zoo. Even though they didn't yet own a zoo!

Francesca says: What did you think of the Pidgin English (also called Cam-Tok) used in the book?

You say: I doubt there's much call for Pidgin English in literature these days. But a pleasant enough little read -

a nice way to pass the time. Stephen Williams, Facebook

It grated. I got used to it and it probably gave a more accurate glimpse into British Cameroons but it seemed patronising. Shay Hinton, by email

THE ACCIDENTAL

Ali Smith

The seemingly ordinary Smart family get a shock when their family holiday in a Norfolk cottage is hijacked by the mysterious Amber.

Francesca says: What do you think of the narrative technique, telling the story from each family member's point of view? What effect did this have?

You say: I felt it gave a deeper understanding of events as not only did you get the side of the person it focused on, you also had an outsider's opinion - which showed how differently they perceived each other's behaviour. Katie Moran, Facebook



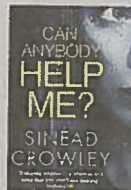
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NEW OUT

CAN ANYBODY HELP ME?

Sinead Crowley
Quercus. Out now



The sinister side of social media is explored to wonderfully chilling effect. An isolated young mum who has just moved

to Dublin signs up to a parenting website - but a killer is posing as one of the online mums. A brilliantly original and genuinely scary debut.

THE A-LIST FAMILY

Christina Hopkinson

Hodder & Stoughton. Out now



When Anna takes a job as a tutor to the gifted child of two hugely well-known celebrities, she is drawn into

the crazy world of the super-famous. A very funny satire on fame and the media, you will race through this indulgent treat.

THE THRILL OF IT ALL

Joseph O'Connor

Harvill Secker. Out Thursday



Robbie Goulding, once a member of an 80s supergroup, tells his life story in this brilliantly conceived and touching novel

that goes from his teenage years in Luton up to his middle age as a washed-up rock star. Brilliantly written, you don't have to be a music fan to love it.

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TOP 10 BESTSELLERS

- 1 The Girl Who Saved The King Of Sweden Jonas Jonasson
- 2 The Chimp Paradox: Acclaimed Mind Management Programme To Help You Dr Steve Peters
- 3 BBC Proms 2014: Official Guide
- 4 The Fault In Our Stars John Green
- 5 Minecraft: The Official Construction Handbook
- 6 And The Mountains Echoed Khaled Hosseini
- 7 Minecraft: Combat Handbook
- 8 Wars Of The Roses: Stormbird Conn Iggulden
- 9 A Delicate Truth John Le Carre
- 10 Hanns And Rudolf Thomas Harding

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