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Mouse Bird Snake Wolf Feb 25 2020 The gods have created a world: they've built mountains, a sea and a sky and now their days are filled with naps (and tea and cake). That's until Harry, Sue and Ben begin to fill the gaps of the world with a mousy thing, a chirpy thing and a twisty legless thing. [A Song for Ella Grey](#) Sep 02 2020 Winner of the Guardian children's book prize 2015 I'm the one who's left behind. I'm the one to tell the tale. I knew them both... knew how they lived and how they died. Claire is Ella Grey's best friend. She's there when the whirlwind arrives on the scene: catapulted into a North East landscape of gutted shipyards; of high arched bridges and ancient collapsed mines. She witnesses a love so dramatic it is as if her best friend has been captured and taken from her. But the loss of her friend to the arms of Orpheus is nothing compared to the loss she feels when Ella is taken from the world. This is her story - as she bears witness to a love so complete; so sure, that not even death can prove final.

Final Hours (Love in Time Book One) Jan 26 2020 One man's death will change the future. Only two people can save him - if they have the courage to trust each other. Elizabeth Barritt fought hard for the life she has, finally putting the ugly memories of a childhood trapped in the foster care system behind her. She has the chance to move forward, to reach out for a new, exciting future, surrounded by the art that is her passion. All she has to do is take the first step. Enter Jackson Kane, who bursts into her life, literally out of thin air. He is a time traveler, on the hunt for a rogue agent. Colliding with Elizabeth is not on his agenda, as much as she intrigues him. When Kane is injured protecting Elizabeth from that agent, she makes a decision that will change her life, in ways she can't even begin to grasp. She takes him home. Once he is healed enough to travel, Kane goes after the agent, chasing him back to war-torn London. But his journey back takes a sideways turn, forcing Elizabeth to make another choice. She follows him into the past, to help him stop one man from changing their future. Together, they learn to trust. What they don't expect is the connection between them - a connection so strong they can't fight it, even as they try. Because how can it work, when their lives are centuries apart? *Includes an exclusive preview of First Breath, Book Two of the Love in Time series.

Kit's Wilderness Nov 16 2021 Kit has just moved to Stoneygate with his family, to live with his ageing grandfather who is gradually succumbing to Alzheimer's Disease. Stoneygate is an insular place, scarred by its mining history - by the danger and death it has brought them. Where the coal mine used to be there is now a wilderness. Here Kit meets Askew, a surly and threatening figure who masterminds the game called Death, a frightening ritual of hypnotism; and Kit makes friends with Allie, the clever school troublemaker. As Kit struggles to adjust to his new life and the gradual failing of his beloved grandfather, these two friendships pull him towards a terrifying resolution. Haunted by ghosts of the past, Kit must confront death and - ultimately - life. A stunning novel from the author of the modern children's classic Skellig - winner of the Carnegie Medal and the Whitbread Children's Book Award. David Almond is also winner of the 2010 Hans Christian Andersen

award.

The Cellar (Beast House Chronicles, Book 1) Aug 13 2021 Don't even think about going into the cellar... The first gripping title in Richard Laymon's acclaimed Beast House Chronicles, perfect for fans of Stephen King and Dean Koontz. 'The Cellar is a genuine cult classic. I should know. I'm one of the cultists' - Bentley Little They call it Beast House. Tourists flock to see it, lured by its history of butchery and sadistic sexual enslavement. They enter, armed with cameras and camcorders, but many never return. The men are slaughtered quickly. The women have a far worse fate in store. But the worst part of the house is what lies beneath it. Behind the cellar door, down the creaky steps, waits a creature of pure evil. At night, when the house is dark and all is quiet... the beast comes out. Awakened by an early-morning phone call, Donna found out that her ex-husband, Roy, has been released from prison. She immediately dragged her twelve-year-old daughter out of bed and together they hit the road - fast. The last she wants is for Roy to get his hands on them again. But in fleeing one danger, Donna and her daughter are unknowingly heading straight towards another. They're heading towards Beast House. What readers are saying about The Cellar: 'Excellent, gripping tale... Very hard to put down' 'A tale of bizarre, almost comic book like, tongue-in-cheek horror' 'The best book I have read in such a long time'

Monster Jun 11 2021 This New York Times bestselling novel from acclaimed author Walter Dean Myers tells the story of Steve Harmon, a teenage boy in juvenile detention and on trial. Presented as a screenplay of Steve's own imagination, and peppered with journal entries, the book shows how one single decision can change our whole lives. Monster is a multi-award-winning, provocative coming-of-age story that was the first-ever Michael L. Printz Award recipient, an ALA Best Book, a Coretta Scott King Honor selection, and a National Book Award finalist. Monster is now a major motion picture called All Rise and starring Jennifer Hudson, Kelvin Harrison, Jr., Nas, and A\$AP Rocky. The late Walter Dean Myers was a National Ambassador for Young People's Literature, who was known for his commitment to realistically depicting kids from his hometown of Harlem.

The Talking Horse and the Sad Girl and the Village Under the Sea Mar 28 2020 That Mark Haddon's first book after The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time was a poetry collection perhaps came as a surprise to his legions of fans; that it is a collection of such virtuosity and range did not. The gifts so admired in Haddon's prose are in strong evidence here too - the humanity of his voices, the dark humour and the uncanny ventriloquism - but Haddon is also a writer of considerable seriousness, lyric power and surreal invention, and The Talking Horse and the Sad Girl and the Village Under the Sea combines bittersweet love-lyrics, lucid and bold new versions of Horace, comic set-pieces, lullabies, wry postmodern shenanigans (including a note from the official board of censors on "18" certificate poetry), and an entire John Buchan novel condensed to five pages. Consolidating Haddon's reputation as our most powerful myth-weavers and spell-makers, The Talking Horse and the Sad Girl and the Village Under the Sea also confirms him as one of the most outrageous and freewheeling imaginations at work in contemporary literature.

It's Me, Billy - Black Christmas Revisited (hardback) Apr 28 2020 It's Me Billy: Black Christmas Revisited is a brand-new definitive book chronicling the making of Bob Clark's seminal 1974 Christmas slasher film. which is gearing up to celebrate its 50th anniversary while still being acclaimed by critics around the world as well as loved by a cult fanbase. Featuring interviews with both cast and crew of the ground-breaking original film, as well as delving into the making of the film and an exploration of its themes and characters, It's Me Billy brings you the ultimate behind the scenes account of both the 1974 classic, as well as the remakes and spin offs that have all continued the legacy of the infamous "Billy." It's Me Billy is the ultimate resource for fans of Bob Clark's influential horror film & its extraordinary legacy.

Het ware verhaal van het monster Billy Dean / druk 1 Sep 26 2022 Billy is de zoon van een zondige priester. Pas na dertien jaar komt hij voor het eerst met de echte wereld in aanraking. Men gelooft dat hij met de doden kan communiceren. Maar is hij een held of een monster? Vanaf ca. 16 jaar.

Everybody Had an Ocean Nov 04 2020 Los Angeles in the 1960s gave the world some of the greatest music in rock 'n' roll history: "California Dreamin'" by the Mamas and the Papas, "Mr. Tambourine Man" by the Byrds, and "Good Vibrations" by the Beach Boys, a song that magnificently summarized the joy and beauty of the era in three-and-a-half minutes. But there was a dark flip side to the fun fun fun of the music, a nexus between naïve young musicians and the fringe elements that exploited the decade's peace-love-and-flowers ethos, all fueled by sex, drugs, and

overnight success. One surf music superstar unwittingly subsidized the kidnapping of Frank Sinatra Jr. The transplanted Texas singer Bobby Fuller might have been murdered by the Mob in what is still an unsolved case. And after hearing Charlie Manson sing, Neil Young recommended him to the president of Warner Bros. Records. Manson's ultimate rejection by the music industry likely led to the infamous murders that shocked a nation. *Everybody Had an Ocean* chronicles the migration of the rock 'n' roll business to Southern California and how the artists flourished there. The cast of characters is astonishing—Brian and Dennis Wilson of the Beach Boys, Jan and Dean, eccentric producer Phil Spector, Cass Elliot, Sam Cooke, Ike and Tina Turner, Joni Mitchell, and scores of others—and their stories form a modern epic of the battles between innocence and cynicism and joy and terror. You'll never hear that beautiful music in quite the same way.

Andy, That's My Name May 30 2020 Several kids looking for something to do make words from the letters in little Andy's name.

Bone Music Jul 24 2022 From the bestselling, award-winning David Almond comes a book of hope and joy: under a boundless starry sky, the unforgettable Sylvia Carr finds out what it means to be brave. For readers of Michael Morpurgo and Katherine Rundell, from the author of the beloved *Skellig*. She felt like a ghost. She woke in the night. What was that music? Sylvia has never been so far away. Her mother has brought her to this village, this place of silence and dark, endless forest, and she yearns for the city, the bright lights, her friends, even a phone signal. Late one night she hears the music, a weird jagged spiralling sound. It is played by Gabriel, a troubled, beautiful boy. Gabriel uses the strangest of flutes, a hollow bone. Play it well enough, he says, and you cross the borders between the living and the dead. Sylvia knows she'll follow him into the depths of the forest. But will they ever find their way out again? Praise for David Almond: "A master storyteller." *Independent* "Spell-binding... impossible to resist... breathless, intoxicating prose. [Almond's] books seem to exist in their own otherworldly universe, outside all the trends in modern publishing, yet resolutely of the now." *Glasgow Herald* "David Almond's books are strange, unsettling wild things - unfettered by the normal constraints of children's literature. They are, like all great literature, beyond classification." *Guardian* "[David Almond] is that rare thing - a writer of lucid, mature elegance, who can still see the world through adolescent eyes." *Daily Telegraph*

Half a Creature from the Sea Feb 07 2021 Master storyteller David Almond presents a beautiful collection of short fiction, interwoven with pieces that illuminate the inspiration behind the stories. May Malone is said to have a monster in her house, but what Norman finds there may just be the angel he needs. Joe Quinn's house is noisy with poltergeists, or could it be Davie's raging causing the disturbance? Fragile Annie learns the truth about herself in a photograph taken by a traveling man near the sea. Set in the northern English Tyneside country of the author's childhood, these eight short stories by the incomparable David Almond evoke gritty realities and ineffable longings, experiences both ordinary and magical. In autobiographical preludes to each story, the writer shows how all things can be turned into tales, reflecting on a time of wonder, tenderness, and joy.

Furious Thing Dec 05 2020 Lexi's angry. And it's getting worse. If only she could stop losing her temper, her step-father would accept her, her mum would love her again, and her step-brother would return her feelings. She wants these things so badly, she tries to push her fury down. But it isn't easy. Her rage is there for a reason. And if she stays quiet - she might just lose herself . . .

Monster Mule Deer Jun 30 2020 The moment has come for Luke to put all his skills, determination and luck together to make the stalk of his life on the old drop tine buck. Join Luke and Dad as they travel to Alberta Canada for their first archery mule deer hunt. The adventure proves to be another amazing journey where new friends are made, life lessons are learned and fun is around every corner.

Face of the Rising Sun Aug 01 2020 A warmer sun fills the sky as the great Ice Age is ending and a new and savage epoch descends upon the land. Warakan, son of war chiefs and spirit masters, wanders alone in the primeval forest, searching for the mysterious great white mammoth and the totemic power it can give him. He escaped into the wilderness as a boy and has now become a man, torn between his yearning for peace and companionship--and his desire for blood and vengeance. Under the shadowing wings of a golden eagle he is about to fulfill his destiny.

Cold Fire May 10 2021 A man on a mission must come to terms with his forgotten past in this gripping thriller from #1 New York Times bestselling author Dean Koontz. In Portland, he saved a young boy from a drunk driver. In Boston, he rescued a child from an underground explosion. In

Houston, he disarmed a man who was trying to shoot his own wife. Reporter Holly Thorne was intrigued by this strange quiet savior named Jim Ironheart. She was even falling in love with him. But what power compelled an ordinary man to save twelve lives in three months? What visions haunted his dreams? And why did he whisper in his sleep: There is an Enemy. It is coming. It'll kill us all...?

David Almond Mar 08 2021 David Almond is one of the most exciting and innovative authors writing for children and young people today. Since the publication of his award-winning first book, *Skellig* (1998), his novels have pushed the boundaries of children's literature and magical realism. This vibrant collection of original essays by leading international children's literature scholars and researchers provides a theoretically-informed overview of Almond's novels and fresh analysis of individual texts. Exploring broad themes such as philosophy, theology and cognitive science, the volume also introduces new concepts such as mystical realism, literary Catholicism and radical landscape.

The Darkest Evening of the Year Jul 12 2021 A fast-paced and emotionally devastating suspense novel from the bestselling author of *Velocity*, *The Husband* and *The Good Guy*

Skellig Mar 20 2022 The bestselling story about love, loss and hope that launched David Almond as one of the best children's writers of today. Winner of the Carnegie Medal and the Whitbread children's book of the Year Award. When a move to a new house coincides with his baby sister's illness, Michael's world seems suddenly lonely and uncertain. Then, one Sunday afternoon, he stumbles into the old, ramshackle garage of his new home, and finds something magical. A strange creature - part owl, part angel, a being who needs Michael's help if he is to survive. With his new friend Mina, Michael nourishes *Skellig* back to health, while his baby sister languishes in the hospital. But *Skellig* is far more than he at first appears, and as he helps Michael breathe life into his tiny sister, Michael's world changes for ever . . . *Skellig* won the Carnegie Medal and the Whitbread Children's Book Award. David Almond is also winner of the 2010 Hans Christian Andersen award. Powerful and moving - *The Guardian* This newly jacketed edition celebrates 20 years of this multi-award-winning novel.

The True Tale of the Monster Billy Dean Oct 27 2022 From master storyteller David Almond comes a gripping, exquisitely written novel about a hidden-away child who emerges into a broken world. Billy Dean is a secret child. He has a beautiful young mother and a father who arrives at night carrying the scents of candles and incense and cigarettes. Birds fly to his window. Mice run out from his walls. His world is a carpet, a bed, pictures of the holy island, and a single locked door. His father fills his mind and his dreams with mysterious tales and memories and dreadful warnings. But then his father disappears, and Billy's mother brings him out into the world at last. He learns the horrifying story of what was saved and what was destroyed on the day he was born, the day the bombers came to Binkbonny. The kind butcher, Mr. McCaufrey, and the medium, Missus Malone, are waiting for him. He becomes The Angel Child, one who can heal the living, contact the dead, bring comfort to a troubled world. But there is one figure who is beyond healing, who comes looking for Billy himself — and is determined on a kind of reckoning.

Monster Problems Books 1-3 Apr 09 2021 Half boy. Half vampire. All hero...****Readers' Favorite Book Awards Winner****Most kids have problems, but Bram Murray has *Monster Problems*. That's because he's clueless about his past, having bounced around foster care his entire life. Of course, his peculiar habits always raised eyebrows, like staying up all night and eating only red-colored food. But Bram just figured he was different. He never imagined he was the world's last living vampire-or that he was being hunted!After escaping a werewolf ambush, Bram is recruited into a secret school for monster kids. As Bram discovers clues about his past, he learns how to harness his powers for good. Unfortunately, he just might be the most pathetic monster ever! But Bram better figure it out fast, because the Dark Ones have resurfaced, and they're searching for a powerful artifact to resurrect Count Dracula and conquer the world! Can Bram save humanity before it's too late-or will he unleash more *Monster Problems*?The *Monster Problems* Box Set includes:- *Monster Problems: Vampire Misfire*- *Monster Problems 2: Down for the Count*- *Monster Problems 3: Prince of Dorkness**Monster Problems* is the hilarious, action-packed series that will entertain kids, middle school students, and adults. *Monster Problems* includes 32 illustrated character profiles. The *Monster Problems* Collection is also available in one monstrous 500+ page paperback volume!

□□□□ Jan 06 2021 This is the new and updated edition of one of the most popular Chinese

cookbooks of all times by Taiwan's eminent master chef Fu Peimei. In Chinese/English. Distributed by Tsai Fong Books, Inc.

The Boy Who Swam with Piranhas Oct 03 2020 When his mentally unstable uncle's obsessions take an unexpectedly cruel turn, young Stanley Potts is forced to leave and joins a carnival of eccentric characters before meeting the legendary Pancho Pirelli, who swims in piranha tanks and invites Stanley to become his apprentice.

The True Tale of the Monster Billy Dean Aug 25 2022 I was a secret shy and tungtied emptyheded thing. I was tort to read and rite and spell by my tenda littl muther & by Mr McCaufrey the butcha & by Missus Malone and her gosts. So I am not cleva, so please forgiv my folts and my mistayks. I am the won that glares into your harts & that prowls insyde yor deepist dremes. Wonce I was The Anjel Childe. Now I am The Monster. Just read and lissen and take note. Let the words enter yor blud & boans. I am Billy Dean. This is the truth. This is my tale.

Edgar and Lucy Dec 25 2019 Eight-year-old Edgar Allan Fini is haunted – by his father's absence, his mother's secrets, and the ghosts of his grandmother's past. But he recalls nothing of the accident about which people still whisper. When Edgar meets a man with his own tragic story, he is drawn deep into a damaged, grief-stricken world. Lucy must confront the demons that plague her, to save her son and herself. Tinged with wonder and a dark fairytale heart, Edgar and Lucy is a gripping coming-of-age story about the painful and loving ties that bind us. Praise for Edgar and Lucy: 'Gorgeous. There is poetry on every page ... with delicate, precise observations and unexpected imagery' Sunday Times. 'On every page Lodato's prose sings with a robust, openhearted wit, making Edgar & Lucy a delight to read ... A riveting and exuberant ride' New York Times Book Review. 'I love this book. Profoundly spiritual and hilariously specific ... An unusual and intimate epic that manages to capture the wonder and terror of both child and parenthood with an uncanny clarity' Lena Dunham, bestselling author of Not That Kind of Girl. 'Wonder-filled and magisterial ... The book pushes the boundaries of beauty' Chicago Tribune. 'A quirky coming-of-age novel that deepens into something dark and strange without losing its heart or its sense of wonder' Tom Perrotta, bestselling author of The Leftovers. 'I tore through the luminous pages of Edgar & Lucy as if possessed ... What this book has to say about love and truth will stay with me for a very, very long time' Sophie McManus, bestselling author of The Unfortunates. 'This tale exerts a fiendish grip on the reader' Helen Simonson, author of Major Pettigrew's Last Stand. 'Brings to mind J.D. Salinger, Lorrie Moore, Karen Russell, even James Joyce. Edgar & Lucy will make you feel things you haven't felt in ages' Daniel Torday, author of The Last Flight of Poxl West. 'This otherworldly tale will haunt you' People.

Counting Stars Oct 23 2019 These beautifully-written stories grow out of David Almond's childhood in the streets and fields of Tyneside. They're funny and sad, realistic and strange, and are suffused with a profound sense of mystery and wonder. They show that the ordinary world is filled with extraordinary possibilities, that the local really does contain the universal. In Counting Stars David Almond tackles the themes common to his work - joy, darkness, love, death and identity - with exquisite sensitivity and tenderness. A must-read for Almond fans everywhere. From the author of the modern children's classic Skellig - winner of the Carnegie Medal and the Whitbread Children's Book Award. David Almond won the 2015 Guardian Children's Book Prize with A Song for Ella Grey.

Searching for Sky Jan 18 2022 River means everything to Sky. They have lived alone together on Island for as long as they can remember. The two of them hunt for food, wash in Falls and curl up together in Shelter. Their life is simple and safe. Until River sees a boat . . . Across Ocean is California, a place where nothing makes sense to Sky. She is separated from River and taken to live with a grandmother she doesn't know. Lost and heartbroken, Sky searches for him so they can return to Island, only to find out that their paradise wasn't as perfect as she thought, and everything she's ever known and loved may have been a lie. A gripping and beautifully told story of love and survival in a hostile world ? ours.

Young Adult Literature: From Romance to Realism, Third Edition Jul 20 2019

Children's Fantasy Literature Sep 21 2019 Fantasy has been an important and much-loved part of children's literature for hundreds of years, yet relatively little has been written about it. Children's Fantasy Literature traces the development of the tradition of the children's fantastic - fictions specifically written for children and fictions appropriated by them - from the sixteenth to the twenty-first century, examining the work of Lewis Carroll, L. Frank Baum, C. S. Lewis, Roald Dahl, J. K.

Rowling and others from across the English-speaking world. The volume considers changing views on both the nature of the child and on the appropriateness of fantasy for the child reader, the role of children's fantasy literature in helping to develop the imagination, and its complex interactions with issues of class, politics and gender. The text analyses hundreds of works of fiction, placing each in its appropriate context within the tradition of fantasy literature.

The Eyes of Darkness Sep 14 2021 A masterwork of suspense from the #1 New York Times bestselling author. Tina Evans can think of no better time for a fresh start. It's been a year of unbelievable heartache since her son Danny's death. Now the Vegas show that she directed is about to premiere, so she vows to put her grief behind her. Only there is a message for Tina, scrawled on the chalkboard in Danny's room. Two words that will send Tina on a terrifying journey...NOT DEAD.

The Tightrope Walkers Feb 19 2022 The Tightrope Walkers by David Almond - a novel of young love and tragedy from the prizewinning author of Skellig 'I was born in a hovel on the banks of the Tyne...' Dominic Hall grows up in the sixties on a brand-new estate, along with the other families who escaped the river. But the Tyne is still an overwhelming presence, and most of the fathers work in the shipyards. Dom is torn between his new mates: Holly Stroud, his enchanting neighbour, and Vincent McAlinden, who's something else altogether - a wild, dangerous boy with murderous instincts. After his mother's death, Dom has to decide who he is, what he wants to be - and then face up to the consequences. Deeply moving with a unique narrative voice, The Tightrope Walkers will be loved by fans of Roddy Doyle, Irvine Welsh and Ross Raisin, as well as readers familiar with David Almond's masterful novel The True Tale of the Monster Billy Dean, and the hugely popular Skellig. 'Almond is a master storyteller' Independent 'Not only dramatically and emotionally suspenseful, it is also vividly drawn and wonderfully well-paced, as we might expect from a master storyteller' John Burnside on THE TRUE TALE OF THE MONSTER BILLY DEAN, Guardian David Almond is the author of Skellig and other novels and plays for adults and children. He has won many prestigious awards including the Hans Christian Andersen Award in 2010, the Carnegie Medal and two Whitbreads. His first novel for adults, The True Tale of the Monster Billy Dean was published in 2011. He was born in Newcastle, grew up on Tyneside and now lives with his family in Northumberland.

The Thing Nov 23 2019

Het ware verhaal van het monster Billy Dean Jun 23 2022 Billy Dean wordt al dertien jaar door zijn ouders verborgen gehouden voor de buitenwereld. Opgesloten in zijn kamertje brengt hij zijn tijd door met het vangen van muizen en vogels, en met mijmeringen over de wonderlijke prenten die aan zijn muur hangen. Alleen zijn moeder is vaak bij hem, als ze niet buitenshuis als kapster werkt. Veel minder vaak komt zijn gewelddadige, onberekenbare vader Wilfred op bezoek, een ex-priester die verscheurd wordt door schuldgevoelens: Wilfred heeft Billy's jonge moeder verleid en hun geheime zoon is 'in zonde geboren'. Billy komt pas vrij als zijn vader voorgoed uit zijn leven verdwijnt. Buiten zijn kamer leert hij nieuwe mensen kennen: McCauffrey, de slager, en Missus Malone, een excentrieke vrouw die Billy onder haar hoede neemt en hem vertelt over het gruwelijke geweld waaraan de wereld ten prooi is gevallen. De mensen willen in Billy een redder zien, een visionair die in zijn isolement bovennatuurlijke krachten heeft kunnen ontwikkelen. Kan hij met de doden communiceren? Is hij een engel of een monster? Het ware verhaal van het monster Billy Dean is een spannende en ontroerende roman over verlies en hoop, door David Almond verteld in quasi-onbeholpen, fonetisch proza dat de sleutel tot Billy's bijzondere leven is.

The Book of Dave Apr 21 2022 The Book of Dave is Booker-shortlisted author Will Self's dazzling sixth novel What if a demented London cabbie called Dave Rudman wrote a book to his estranged son to give him some fatherly advice? What if that book was buried in Hampstead and hundreds of years later, when rising sea levels have put London underwater, spawned a religion? What if one man decided to question life according to Dave? And what if Dave had indeed made a mistake? Shuttling between the recent past and a far-off future where England is terribly altered, The Book of Dave is a strange and troubling mirror held up to our times: disturbing, satirizing and vilifying who and what we think we are. At once a meditation upon the nature of received religion, a love story, a caustic satire of contemporary urban life and a historical detective story set in the far future - this compulsive novel will be enjoyed by readers everywhere, including fans of Martin Amis and Anthony Burgess's A Clockwork Orange. 'Vivid, visceral and breathtakingly ambitious, this is Self's best yet'

GQ 'Mindboggling ... darkly hilarious ... A fascinating book' Evening Standard Will Self is the author of nine novels including *Cock and Bull*; *My Idea of Fun*; *Great Apes*; *How the Dead Live*; *Dorian, an Imitation*; *The Book of Dave*; *The Butt*; *Walking to Hollywood and Umbrella*, which was shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize. He has written five collections of shorter fiction and three novellas: *The Quantity Theory of Insanity*; *Grey Area*; *License to Hug*; *The Sweet Smell of Psychosis*; *Design Faults in the Volvo 760 Turbo*; *Tough, Tough Toys for Tough, Tough Boys*; *Dr. Mukti and Other Tales of Woe and Liver: A Fictional Organ with a Surface Anatomy of Four Lobes*. Self has also compiled a number of nonfiction works, including *The Undivided Self: Selected Stories*; *Junk Mail*; *Perfidious Man*; *Sore Sites*; *Feeding Frenzy*; *Psychogeography*; *Psycho Too* and *The Unbearable Lightness of Being a Prawn Cracker*.

The Dam Jun 18 2019 A haunting, stunningly illustrated story of loss, hope, and the power of music from multi-award winners David Almond and Levi Pinfold. *Kielder Water* is a wild and beautiful place, rich in folk music and legend. Years ago, before a great dam was built to fill the valley with water, there were farms and homesteads in that valley and musicians who livened their rooms with song. After the village was abandoned and before the waters rushed in, a father and daughter returned there. The girl began to play her fiddle, bringing her tune to one empty house after another — for this was the last time that music would be heard in that place. With exquisite artwork by Levi Pinfold, David Almond's lyrical narrative — inspired by a true tale — pays homage to his friends Mike and Kathryn Tickell and all the musicians of Northumberland, to show that music is ancient and unstoppable, and that dams and lakes cannot overwhelm it.

My Name is Mina May 22 2022 There's an empty notebook lying on the table in the moonlight. It's been there for an age. I keep on saying that I'll write a journal. So I'll start right here, right now. I open the book and write the very first words: My name is Mina and I love the night. Then what shall I write? I can't just write that this happened then this happened then this happened to boring infinitum. I'll let my journal grow just like the mind does, just like a tree or a beast does, just like life does. Why should a book tell a tale in a dull straight line? And so Mina writes and writes in her notebook, and here is her journal, Mina's life in Mina's own words: her stories and dreams, experiences and thoughts, her scribbles and nonsense, poems and songs. Her vivid account of her vivid life. In this stunning book, David Almond revisits Mina before she has met Michael, before she has met Skellig. Shortlisted for the 2012 Carnegie Medal.

Nightmare Academy Dec 17 2021 The Veritas Project team has a new assignment: To find the truth behind the mysterious disappearance of two runaways. When one runaway turns up totally out of his mind and a government agent steps in to take over the case, the Springfield's continue their own investigation. The twins-Elijah and Elisha-go undercover, posing as runaways. What happens next will keep readers on the edge of their seats as the twins end up in a strange academy where Truth is continually challenged, a gang-like war develops, and Elijah is taken to an ominous mansion from which no one has ever returned. A great thriller with a realistic look at right and wrong.

Writing Children's Fiction Aug 21 2019 Full of both inspirational and practical advice, *Writing Children's Fiction: A Writers' and Artists' Companion* is an essential guide to writing for some of the most difficult and demanding readers of all: children and young people. Part 1 explores the nature, history and challenges of children's literature, and the amazing variety of genres available for children from those learning to read to young adults. Part 2 includes tips by such bestselling authors as David Almond, Malorie Blackman, Meg Rosoff and Michael Morpurgo. Part 3 contains practical advice - from shaping plots and creating characters to knowing your readers, handling difficult subjects and how to find an agent and publisher when your book or story is complete.

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