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Perkins releases Braille Bloom

Perkins School for the Blind recently released the Perkins Braille Bloom, an accessory that allows users to connect their Perkins Brailers to the Internet. The device attaches to the bottom of a Perkins Brailier and connects to computers, tablets or smart-phones via USB or Bluetooth. With a Braille Bloom, users can send texts or emails via their Perkins Brailier, or communicate using other messaging apps. For more information, visit www.perkins.org/perkins-brailier/perkins-braille-bloom.

New from Hadley: Vision Loss and Emotions

Hadley's new Adjusting & Coping Together free video series explores the emotional side of vision loss through real, personal stories and coping strategies. Each episode looks at everyday situations that can stir up difficult emotions, including grieving the loss, asking for help, isolation and more. Learn more at <https://hadleyhelps.org/workshops/adjusting-and-coping-together> or call 800-323-4238

East Bay Center for the Blind offers at-home braille classes

The East Bay Center for the Blind offers free, at-home braille classes, including focused instruction on UEB. For more information and to sign up for the program, visit www.eastbaycenterfortheblind.org/classes-and-activities. Recordings of its two weekly webinars, I Love Braille and I Learn Braille, are also available.

Books listed in this issue of Talking Book Topics were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains a wide range of fiction and nonfiction books, including biographies, classics, westerns, mysteries, romances, and others.

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Books within the headings Adult Fiction and Adult Nonfiction are listed alphabetically by subject category, author last name, and title. For example, the title *War and Peace* by Leo Tolstoy would be listed in Adult Fiction under the Classics subject category and by the last name Tolstoy.

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Adult Fiction

Adventure

All Superheroes Need PR

DB133111 9 hours 51 minutes

by Elizabeth Stephens

read by Jazzy Frizzle

"Over two decades ago, forty-eight young, gifted superheroes fell to Earth and were eventually marketed as opposing brands: heroes and villains. Now, one exceptionally gruff bad guy is looking to hop teams. Hello, PR director Vanessa Theriot. His real name is Roland Casteel a.k.a. the Pyro. First, swap that with the less incinerating the Wyvern. Next, put him in spandex to highlight that near-godlike body. Finally, give that hero in training a heroine — if Vanessa will play the part in a pretend romance guaranteed to make the city swoon. She's game. As shy as Vanessa is, it's her job to be Roland's very own Lois Lane. Who knew that fake dating would change their worlds? But falling head over heels for real makes for a dangerous shift in the narrative. A monstrous supervillain is bringing out Roland's bad side again. This time, it's to save a woman who, against all the odds, is becoming the human love of his superhero life." — From publisher. Violence, strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2025.

Blindness and Disability Fiction

The Sideways Life of Denny Voss

DB133382 10 hours 1 minute

by Holly Kennedy

read by Crystian Wiltshire

“On the surface, Denny Voss’s life in rural Minnesota is a quiet one. At thirty years old, he lives at home with his elderly mother and his beloved blind and deaf Saint Bernard, George. He cleans up roadkill to help pay the bills. Though his prospects are limited by a developmental delay — the result of an accident at birth — Denny has always felt that he has ‘a good life.’ So how did he wind up being charged with the murder of a mayoral candidate — after crashing a sled full of guns into a tree? As Denny awaits trial, his court-appointed therapist walks him through the events of the past year. Denny’s had other scuffles with the law, the first for kidnapping a neighbor’s cantankerous goose. And then there was the time he accidentally assisted in a bank robbery. It seems like whenever Denny tries to do the right thing, chaos ensues. Untangling the events around the murder reveals even more painful truths about his family’s past. He’s always been surrounded by people who love him, but now it’s up to Denny to set his life on a new course.” — From Amazon. Some violence and some strong language. 2025.

Classics

Moby Dick

DB130002 21 hours 14 minutes

by Herman Melville

read by Frank Muller

“In part, Moby Dick is the story of an eerily compelling madman pursuing an

unholy war against a creature as vast and dangerous and unknowable as the sea itself. But more than just a novel of adventure, more than an encyclopedia of whaling lore and legend, the book can be seen as part of its author’s lifelong meditation on America. Written with wonderfully redemptive humor, Moby Dick is also a profound inquiry into character, faith, and the nature of perception.” — From Goodreads. Unrated. Originally published 1851. Commercial audiobook. 1987.

Family

The Forgetting

DB133100 8 hours 22 minutes

by Hannah Beckerman

read by Lindsey Pierce

“When Anna Bradshaw wakes up in a hospital bed in London, she remembers nothing, not even her loving husband, Stephen. The doctors say her amnesia is to be expected, but Anna feels cut adrift from her entire life. In Bristol, Livvy Nicholson is newly married to Dominic and eager to get back to work after six months’ maternity leave. But when Dominic’s estranged mother appears, making a series of unnerving claims, Livvy is sucked into a version of herself she doesn’t recognize. A hundred miles apart, both women feel trapped and disorientated, and their stories are about to collide. Can they uncover the secret that connects them and reconstruct their fractured lives?” — From Goodreads. Strong language. 2023.

Such a Beautiful Family

DB133970 8 hours 2 minutes

by Theresa Ragan

read by Katie Boothe

“Nora Harmon has a lot to be thankful for: two great kids, a stable marriage, and now, a dream career. Software consultant Jane Bell wants Nora on her team. She’s offering a fantastic salary, flexible hours, and a chance to travel the world. It sounds too good to be true, but Jane won’t take no for an answer. Jane acts more like a friend than a boss, and Nora’s personal and professional boundaries begin to blur. Jane is smitten with Nora’s perfect family — particularly her daughter — and far too attentive to Nora’s husband. Nora can’t help but feel insecure and unsettled. Maybe Jane is everything she says she is: a lonely woman in need of feeling the love of a kind and decent family. Maybe Nora is just being paranoid. Maybe not.” — From publisher. Violence and strong language. 2022.

Fantasy

Wit’ch War

DB133837 22 hours 15 minutes

by James Clemens

read by Stephen Van Doren

“The young witch Elena holds the destiny of Alasea kingdom in her hands and must recover the Blood Diary and master the secrets recorded in its pages in order to defeat the evil magicks of the Dark Lord.” — From publisher. Violence and some strong language. 2000.

Sing the Night

DB136025 11 hours 49 minutes

by Megan Jauregui Eccles

read by Lauren Ezzo

“For as long as Selene remembers, she’s only wanted one thing: to sing the boldest, brightest magic into existence and win L’Opéra du Magician. To the

winner goes the spoils of being declared King’s Mage, a position her father held years ago, before he lost control of his magic and spiraled into madness, leaving Selene an orphan. But when the competition turns cutthroat and a competitor steals Selene’s song, the chance to redeem her father’s legacy begins to slip through her fingers. Until, in the depths of the opera house, she discovers a mysterious and beautiful man trapped within a mirror. He offers not only the magic of music, but a darker sorcery of shadow, blood, and want. He can help Selene if she helps him in return — but his forbidden magic may not be worth the cost. As the competition continues and mages are driven to ruin competing for the king’s favor, Selene must navigate betrayal, the return of childhood love, and the price of ambition.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Agnes Aubert’s Mystical Cat Shelter

DB136238 11 hours 29 minutes

by Heather Fawcett

read by Geneviève Cocke

“Agnes Aubert leads a meticulously organized life, and she likes it that way. As the proudly type-A manager of a cat rescue charity, she has devoted her life to finding forever homes for stray cats. Now it’s the shelter that needs a new home. And the only landlord who will rent a space to a cat rescue is a mysterious man called Havelock — who also happens to be the world’s most infamous magician, running an illegal magic shop out of his basement. Havelock is cantankerous and eccentric, but not not handsome, and no, Agnes

absolutely does not feel anything but disdain for him. After all, rumors swirl about his shadowy past — including whispers that his dark magic once almost brought about the apocalypse. Then one day a glamorous magician comes looking for Havelock, putting the magic shop — and the cat shelter — in jeopardy. To save the shelter, Agnes will have to team up with the magician who nearly ended the world ... and may now be trying to steal her heart. Havelock is everything Agnes thinks she doesn't need in her life: chaos, mischief, and a little too much adventure. But as she gets to know him, she discovers that he's more than the dark magician of legend, and that she may be ready for a little intrigue — and romance — in her life. After all, second chances aren't just for rescue cats ... “ — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. Bestseller. 2026.

The Sword in the Storm

DB134128 16 hours 15 minutes

by David Gemmell

read by Doug Tisdale

“Fierce and proud, the Rigante dwell deep in the green mountain lands, worshipping the gods of air and water, and the spirits of the earth. Among them lives a warrior who bears the mark of fate. Born of the storm that slew his father, he is Connavar, and tales of his courage spread like wildfire. The Seidh — a magical race as old as time — take note of the young warrior and cast a malignant shadow across his life. For soon a merciless army will cross the water, destroying forever the timeless rhythms of life among the Rigante. Swearing to protect his people,

Connavar embarks on a quest that will take him into the heart of the enemy. Along the way, he receives a gift: a sword as powerful and deadly as the Seidh who forged it. Thus he receives a name that will strike fear into the hearts of friend and foe alike—a name proclaiming a glorious and bitter destiny ... DEMONBLADE.” — From publisher. Violence, some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

The Astral Library

DB135786 9 hours 18 minutes

by Kate Quinn

read by Kate Quinn

“Welcome to the Astral Library, where books are not just objects, but doors to new worlds, new lives, and new futures. Alexandria ‘Alix’ Watson has learned one lesson from her barren childhood in the foster-care system: unlike people, books will never let you down. Working three dead-end jobs to make ends meet and knowing college is a pipe dream, Alix takes nightly refuge in the high-vaulted reading room at the Boston Public Library, escaping into her favorite fantasy novels and dreaming of far-off lands. Until the day she stumbles through a hidden door and meets the Librarian: the ageless, acerbic guardian of a hidden library where the desperate and the lost escape to new lives ... inside their favorite books. The Librarian takes a dazzled Alix under her wing, but before she can escape into the pages of her new life, a shadowy enemy emerges to threaten everyone the Astral Library has ever helped protect. Aided by a dashing costume-shop owner, Alix and the Librarian flee through the Regency

drawing rooms of Jane Austen to the back alleys of Sherlock Holmes and the champagne-soaked parties of *The Great Gatsby* as danger draws inexorably closer. But who does their enemy really wish to destroy — Alix, the Librarian, or the Library itself?” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Vigil

DB135062 5 hours 36 minutes

by George Saunders

read by Judy Greer

“Not for the first time, Jill ‘Doll’ Blaine finds herself hurtling toward earth, reconstituting as she falls, right down to her favorite black pumps. She plummets towards her newest charge, yet another soul she must usher into the afterlife, and lands headfirst in the circular drive of his ornate mansion. She has performed this sacred duty 343 times since her own death. Her charges, as a rule, have been greatly comforted in their final moments. But this charge, she soon discovers, isn’t like the others. The powerful K. J. Boone will not be consoled, because he has nothing to regret. He lived a big, bold, epic life, and the world is better for it. Isn’t it? *Vigil* transports us, careening, through the wild final evening of a complicated man. Visitors begin to arrive (worldly and otherworldly, alive and dead), clamoring for a reckoning. Birds swarm the dying man’s room; a black calf grazes on the love seat; a man from a distant, drought-ravaged village materializes; two oil-business cronies from decades past show up with chilling plans for Boone’s post death future. With the wisdom, playfulness, and explosive imagination we’ve come

to expect, George Saunders takes on the gravest issues of our time — the menace of corporate greed, the toll of capitalism, the environmental perils of progress — and, in the process, spins a tale that encompasses life and death, good and evil, and the thorny question of absolution.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Vox Machina: Stories Untold

DB135794 10 hours 29 minutes

by Sam Riegel

read by multiple narrators

“The adventure began in 2015 with a group of friends sitting down in front of a camera to roll some dice, bring their characters to life, and tell a story that would become immortalized in their livestream tabletop roleplaying game: *Critical Role*. The crew known as *Vox Machina* fought necromancers and vampires, slew a conclave of mighty dragons, and became ... well, basically gods. What started as a humble home game eventually grew into a worldwide phenomenon that has touched countless people with its poignant, larger-than-life storytelling — and in that same vein, this collection celebrates the characters whose lives were touched by *Vox Machina* but whose stories are yet to be told. Within its pages: Shaun Gilmore reflects on the life he has chosen, as told by Aabria Iyengar. Raishan, racked by a pestilent curse, plots to release the Cinder King from his fiery prison, as told by Rory Power. Trinket the Wonder Bear accompanies the next generation of *Vox Machina* on their first adventure, as told by Sarah Glenn Marsh. Plus seven more hilarious, heartbreaking, and heroic tales!

In these ten stories from ten contributors, see the legendary adventuring party anew through the eyes of some of the most memorable characters to have ever interacted with Vox Machina.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

Friendship

Crimes Against a Book Club

DB133813 9 hours 42 minutes

by Kathy Cooperman

read by Eva Wilhelm

“To make the fast money both best friends need, lawyer Sarah and chemist Annie create an anti-aging face cream to sell to Annie’s La Jolla book club, but the illegal ingredient Annie includes could become their undoing.” — From OCLC. Strong language. 2017.

Kin

DB135763 13 hours 13 minutes

by Tayari Jones

read by Angel Pean

“Vernice and Annie, two motherless daughters raised in Honeysuckle, Louisiana, have been best friends and neighbors since earliest childhood but are fated to live starkly different lives. Raised by a fierce aunt determined to give her a stable home in the wake of her mother’s death, Vernice leaves Honeysuckle at eighteen for Spelman College, where she joins a sisterhood of powerfully connected Black women and discovers a world of affluence, manners, aspiration, and inequality. Annie, abandoned by her mother as a child and fixated on the idea of finding her and filling the bottomless hole left by her absence, sets off on a journey that will take her into a world of peril and

adversity, as well as love and adventure, culminating in a battle for her life.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

More than Enough

DB135848 8 hours 14 minutes

by Anna Quindlen

read by Kristen Sieh

“No one knows you like your book club. High school English teacher Polly Goodman can talk about everything and anything with the women in her book club, which is why they’ve become her closest friends and, along with her veterinarian husband, the bedrock of her life. Her students, her fraught relationship with her mother, her struggles with IVF — Polly’s book club friends have heard about it all. But when they give Polly an ancestry test kit as a joke, the results match her with a stranger. It is clear to Polly that this match is a mistake, but still she cannot help but comb through her family history for answers. Then, when it seems that the book club circle of four will become three, Polly learns how friendships can change your life in the most profound ways.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Historical Fiction

American Housewife

DB133088 8 hours 28 minutes

by Anita Abriel

read by Katie Boothe

“New York City, 1950. Dreams come true for radio personality Maggie Lane when she gets her big break in the exciting new world of television. The Maggie Lane Baking Show is on the air. All she has to do is act like the ideal

housewife, create sumptuous desserts, charm the show's sponsors, and sign a morality clause to ensure that her girl-next-door image remains untarnished. Off camera, cracks are showing in her marriage, an old lover makes an unexpected return, and there are secrets from the past that could ruin everything Maggie has worked for. With every dream on the line, Maggie wonders if she can still have it all when the truth about what it really means to be an American housewife comes to light." — From OCLC. 2025.

Women of a Promiscuous Nature

DB135738 14 hours 48 minutes

by Donna Everhart

read by Lisa Larsen

"On a brisk February morning while walking to work, Ruth Foster is stopped by the local sheriff. He insists she accompany him to a health clinic, threatening to arrest her if she doesn't undergo testing in order to preserve decency and prevent the spread of sexual disease. Though Ruth has never shared more than a kiss with a man, by day's end she is one of dozens of women held at the State Industrial Farm Colony for Women. Some are there because they were reported for promiscuity by neighbors, husbands, strangers. Some were accused of prostitution. Others were just pretty and unmarried. Or poor and 'suspicious.' One was eating dinner alone in a restaurant. Another spoke to a soldier. Josephine's sin was running a business as a single woman. Maude's was trying to drown her sorrows. Frances had lost her mind. Opal married a man with a mean streak. Some, like fifteen

year old Stella, are brought in because they're victims of assault. Superintendent Dorothy Baker, convinced that she's transforming degenerate souls into upstanding members of society, oversees the women's medical treatment and 'training' until they're deemed ready for parole. Everyone at the Colony learns to abide by Mrs. Baker's rule book or face the consequences — solitary confinement, grueling work assignments, and worse. But some refuse to be cowed. Some find ways to fight back — at any cost." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Wartime at Bletchley Park

DB135333 11 hours 4 minutes

by Molly Green

read by Lucy Scott

"London is in blackout, war has been declared, but Dulcie Treadwell can think only of her heartbreak over American broadcaster, Glenn Reeves, who didn't say goodbye before leaving for Berlin. Posted to Bletchley Park, Dulcie must concentrate on helping the war effort by cracking the German Enigma codes. The hours are long and the conditions tough, with little recognition from above. Until she breaks her first code ... Dulcie finally settles into something she was born to do. But just as she's proving her worth, a shocking betrayal leads to Dulcie's brutal dismissal. Is it too late for Dulcie to prove her innocence and keep helping to save innocent lives?" — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2022.

Keeper of Lost Children

DB135592 14 hours 11 minutes

by Sadeqa Johnson

read by Ariel Blake

“Ethel Gathers, the proud wife of an American Officer, is living in Occupied Germany in the 1950s. After discovering a local orphanage filled with the abandoned mixed-race children of German women and Black American GI’s, Ethel feels compelled to help find these children homes. Philadelphia born Ozzie Phillips volunteers for the recently desegregated army in 1948, eager to make his mark in the world. While serving in Manheim, Germany, he meets a local woman, Jelka, and the two embark on a relationship that will impact their lives forever. In 1965 Maryland, Sophia Clark is given an opportunity to attend a prestigious all white boarding school and escape her heartless parents. While at the school, she discovers a secret that upends her world and sends her on a quest to unravel her own identity. Toggling between the lives of these three individuals, *Keeper of Lost Children* explores how one woman’s vision will change the course of countless lives and demonstrates that love in its myriad of forms — familial, parental, and forbidden, even love of self — can be transcendent.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Sisters in Yellow

DB136204 15 hours 32 minutes

by Mieko Kawakami

read by Annie Q.

“Rising star Mieko Kawakami reaches new heights in this pacy, thrilling novel,

a Japanese *Breaking Bad*, in which a group of friends fight for freedom, independence, and survival in Tokyo of the 1990s, a world rapidly dividing into haves and have-nots. All of them are fleeing something. Growing up without a father, Hana’s tired of the pity in her classmates’ eyes, and finds a flashier mother figure in Kimiko. Kimiko is older than Hana’s mother but seems much younger, chatting easily about school and boys and wanting a better life. Fate throws them together with two more young women — bruised but not broken by life. Together the four set out to remake their lives, fighting predatory lenders, organized criminals, and plain bad luck as they open a bar called Lemon. Keeping the business going, and trying to take care of each other, forms the core of this enrapturing novel. It is a story of startling reversals and vivid portraits of the matriarchy of Tokyo nightlife and its adjacent criminal underclasses. From the bar owners to the aging hostesses to the young street touts coaxing people off the street to places like Lemon, everyone wants a chance at renewal, but can everyone get it?” — From publisher. Translated from the 2023 Japanese edition. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

The Secret Librarian

DB132738 9 hours 13 minutes

by Soraya Lane

read by Gabriella Cavallero

“New York, 1942: Avery is engaged to be married. Longing for adventure instead, she jumps at an unexpected offer to trade her library job for undercover intelligence-gathering in Portugal.

But her new life in Lisbon, known as the Capital of Espionage, challenges everything she thought she knew about herself. Local bookshop owner Camille, a French widow with access to the enemy newspapers and magazines Avery needs, befriends her. But are the rumours that swirl around Camille true — does she really have a Nazi boyfriend? And what secrets did she bring with her when she fled France? Avery must decide — fast — if she can fully trust Camille. Millions of lives depend on it. As Avery discovers more about Camille’s world, she realises that living in a city of spies will take all her courage. With suspicions growing, they are both playing a terrifyingly dangerous game. And not everyone will live to tell their story. Can Avery and Camille stay far enough ahead of their enemies to survive?” — From publisher. Some strong language. 2025.

The Bootlegger’s Daughter

DB133390 9 hours 47 minutes

by Nadine Nettmann

read by Elizabeth Rose

“It’s 1927. Letty Hart’s father is long gone, but his old winery provides a meager wage and a legal livelihood for selling sacramental wine. But when that contract goes bust, Letty stumbles upon a desperate option: her father’s hidden cellar — and enough liquor to tempt Letty to bootleg the secret stash. In an underworld dominated by merciless men, Letty is building an empire. Officer Annabel Forman deserves to be the first female detective in the LAPD. But after two years on the force, she’s still consigned to clerical work and policing dance halls. When

Annabel connects a series of unsolved murders to bootlegging, it’s a chance at a real investigation. Under the thumb of dismissive male superiors, Annabel is building her case. As their formerly uncompromised morals erode, Letty and Annabel are on a collision course — and determined to prove they’re every bit as ruthless and strong-willed as the powers that be who want to take them down.” — From Amazon. 2024.

The Master Jeweler

DB133095 12 hours 58 minutes

by Weina Dai Randel

read by MacKenzie Beyer

“Harbin, China, 1925. Fifteen-year-old Anyu Zhang discovers a priceless Fabergé egg in the snow and returns it to the owner, Isaac Mandelburg, a fugitive and former master jeweler for Russia’s imperial palace. In gratitude, he leaves her his address in Shanghai and a promise of hospitality, forever altering her fate. A dazzling world of jewelry shrouded in secrecy and greed awaits, when later Anyu arrives at Mandelburg’s jewelry shop as an orphan. Single-minded and relentless, Anyu will stop at nothing until she masters the craft of jewelry making. But she soon finds herself entangled in the treacherous underbelly of the city, where violent gangsters stalk the streets, vicious rivals seek to exploit her, and obsessive collectors conspire to destroy the people she loves. From snow-crowned land to diamond-sparkling showrooms to a pristine island on the brink of war, *The Master Jeweler* chronicles an exciting journey of a bold prodigy artisan — including her losses and triumphs

— in a glamorous yet perilous world of treasure.” — From publisher. Some violence and some descriptions of sex. 2025.

The Hearts We Leave Behind

DB133398 7 hours 59 minutes

by Buck Turner

read by Elizabeth Rose

“Do you believe in destiny? Following a rocky split from her longtime fiancé, 29-year-old Nora Dawson relocates from her hometown of Trafford, Alabama, to the picturesque town of Brentwood, Tennessee, where she moves into a small house and takes up a nursing position at Belle Haven, a retirement facility located among the rolling green hills of central Tennessee. There, Nora discovers an unexpected kinship with one of the residents, a cantankerous old man named Fred Carlisle. Despite his prickly exterior, Fred hides a lifetime of stories, one of which will alter the trajectory of Nora’s healing heart.” — From publisher. Some strong language. 2023.

Holidays**Paws & Pastries**

DB135290 2 hours 54 minutes

by Barbara Hinske

read by Erin Jones

“Clara Conway has finally had enough of her cheating husband. After uncovering his latest infidelity, she takes action. With the money she’s inherited from her mother — and a car packed with her clothes and the few things she’ll want in her new life — she sets out. Clara plans to drive until she reaches a city large enough to support the patisserie-style bakery she’s wanted to open since she learned to bake at her mother’s knee. Her

intuition will tell her when she’s found the right spot. What she hadn’t counted on was car trouble stranding her in the charming — but too small — town of Pinewood. Has bad luck followed her on her journey, or has fate placed her where she needs to be? Follow Clara as a kindly elderly couple, an almost-handsome landlord, and one special canine open her heart.” — From publisher. 2020.

Human Relationships**Woman Down**

DB134543 10 hours 50 minutes

by Colleen Hoover

read by Jill Fox

“Her words used to set the page on fire. But a viral backlash over her latest film adaptation forced Petra Rose to take a hiatus, resulting in missed deadlines and an overdue mortgage. Branded a fraud and fame-hungry opportunist, she learned the hard way what happens when the Internet turns on you. And she’s been uninspired to write ever since. Now, with her next suspense novel outlined and savings nearly gone, she retreats to a secluded lakeside cabin, hoping to find inspiration. It’s Petra’s last-ditch attempt to save her career — and herself. Then he shows up. Detective Nathaniel Saint arrives with disturbing news, his presence igniting a creativity in her she thought long since burned out. Petra’s words return in a rush, and her fictional cop character begins to mirror the very real cop who’s becoming her muse.” — From publisher. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 2026.

Legal Themes

Rich Justice

DB134542 15 hours 40 minutes

by Robert Bailey

read by Alec Volz

“In this twisty thriller from Wall Street Journal bestselling author Robert Bailey, a disgraced attorney’s mistakes come back to haunt him when he’s tried for a murder he didn’t commit. Once the flashy, successful lawyer known for his in-your-face billboards — *IN AN ACCIDENT? GET RICH* — Jason Rich has fallen from grace, his reputation scrubbed of its glitz and his life stripped of the people he cares about. All thanks to meth kingpin Tyson Cade. But when Cade is shot and killed in the heart of his territory, things go from bad to worse for Jason as he is charged with his murder. To clear his name, Jason seeks help from an unlikely source: Shay Lankford, an old adversary and attorney almost as disgraced as Jason himself. Now Jason and Shay have even more to lose — their lives — as they dig into the dangerous truth behind Tyson Cade’s murder. Neither time nor evidence is on their side, but after everything he’s lost, Jason is determined to save his future from the mistakes of his past — no matter the price.” — From Amazon. Violence, strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2024.

Hollow Spaces

DB133104 10 hours 46 minutes

by Victor Suthammanont

read by Shawn Hertel

“Thirty years ago, John Lo, the only Asian American partner at a prestigious New York City law firm, was acquitted

of the murder of an employee he was having an affair with. The repercussions of that long-ago event still haunt his adult children. Brennan, a lawyer following in her father’s footsteps in more ways than one, has always maintained that the trial got it right. Hunter, a disgruntled war correspondent whose similarities to his father run more than skin-deep, believes their father got away with murder. Their convictions have pushed them apart. Now, spurred on by their mother’s failing health, the estranged siblings decide to reconcile their differences by reinvestigating the murder to come to a definitive conclusion, and, in the process, salvage what’s left of their fragmented family.” — From publisher. Violence, strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2025.

Mystery and Detective

The Drowned

DB136044 8 hours 50 minutes

by John Banville

read by John Rafter Lee

“1950s, rural Ireland. A loner comes across a mysteriously empty car in a field. Knowing he shouldn’t approach but unable to hold back, he soon finds himself embroiled in a troubling missing person case, as a husband claims his wife may have thrown herself into the sea. Called in from Dublin to investigate is Detective Inspector Strafford, who soon turns to his old ally — the flawed but brilliant pathologist Quirke — a man he is linked to in increasingly complicated ways. But as the case unfolds, events from the past resurface that may have life-altering ramifications for all

involved.” — From publisher. Unrated.
Commercial audiobook. 2024.

Blessed Are the Peacemakers

DB133097 7 hours 23 minutes

by Kristi Belcamino

read by Gabriella Cavallero

“Gabriella Giovanni has it all. A stunning penthouse in San Francisco. An exciting job on the crime beat. A doting, handsome husband and a beautiful little girl. So, when she complains about all the travel her husband’s new DEA job requires, Gabriella knows she has good problems. But when her husband’s plane goes down in the jungles of Guatemala and she is told he is dead, Gabriella thinks things could not possibly get any worse. She is wrong. Despite the U.S. government’s attempt to find the wreckage, they come up empty-handed. Gabriella heads to Guatemala to find some answers, and hopefully, some healing. In the deepest, darkest jungles, it doesn’t take long for Gabriella to realize she’s in over her head and putting what remains of her life — and everything she loves — at risk.” — From publisher. Violence, strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2017.

The Hard Way: A Rachel Alexander and Dash Mystery

DB133394 8 hours 23 minutes

by Carol Lea Benjamin

read by Laura Hatch

“A lifelong New Yorker, Private Investigator Rachel Alexander has lived through some rough times — from 9/11, to a difficult divorce, to cases that have taken her to the depths of the city’s dark underbelly. But when wealthy business owner Eleanor Redstone approaches

Rachel to ask if she can investigate her father’s murder — a brutal slaying that occurred when he was pushed onto the subway tracks — Rachel takes the case, plunging herself into parts of the city only its poorest residents have ever known. Because to solve Gardner Redstone’s murder, Rachel must disguise herself as a homeless woman and live on the streets, searching for the dispossessed man witnesses say made the fatal push. In one of the coldest winters New York City has seen in years, Rachel is helped by a homeless Iraq War veteran, a man whose sad circumstances leave Rachel pondering her own fortunate life. From critically-acclaimed author Carol Lea Benjamin, a writer the *Cleveland Plain-Dealer* calls ‘first rate,’ this is another illuminating look into the heart of New York, a mystery with heartbreaking characters, and a story you’ll never forget.” — From Goodreads. Strong language. 2006.

4 Bodies and a Funeral

DB135727 9 hours 50 minutes

by Stephanie Bond

read by Maureen Jones

“One cadaver, two cadaver, three cadaver, four ... Ever had one of those days? A surprise visit from her father — who’s on the run from the law — has given Carlotta Wren a lot to think about. Should she join her former fiancé, Peter, in proving her father is innocent? If she does, are her body-moving days over? And then ... A close friend’s behavior begins to spin out of control ... The cops turn up the heat on her father’s case ... Carlotta discovers that her brother Wesley’s gambling debts are child’s

play compared to his new vice ... And the Charmed Killer, a serial murderer, unleashes his wrath on Atlanta. Now the bodies are piling up — and Carlotta's father is the number one suspect!" — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2014.

Masked Ball at Broxley Manor

DB134911 1 hour 9 minutes

by Rhys Bowen

read by Kristin Allison

"A delectable prequel to the national bestselling Royal Spyness mysteries featuring Lady Georgiana Rannoch, thirty-fourth in line to the throne, and England's poorest heiress. At the end of her first unsuccessful season out in society, Lady Georgiana has all but given up on attracting a suitable man, until she receives an invitation to a masked Halloween ball at Broxley Manor. Georgie is uncertain why she was invited, until she learns that the royal family intends to marry her off to a foreign prince, one reputed to be mad. When the prince, dressed as the devil, rescues her from an embarrassing situation at the ball, Georgie is surprised to find her unwanted suitor to be a dashing, charming man, especially when he pulls her aside and gives her the kiss of a lifetime. But as the time comes for the unmasking, Georgie's rescuer vanishes and the party is thrown into chaos, making it clear that everything at Broxley Manor is not as it appears." — From Goodreads. 2012.

One on One: A Buddy Steel Mystery

DB135734 5 hours 53 minutes

by Michael Brandman

read by Alex Knox

"When legendary Sheriff Burton Steel summoned his son Buddy home from LAPD Homicide, a reluctant Buddy agreed. Burton is debilitated by ALS, Lou Gehrig's Disease. While Buddy is to cover his back, not an assignment he wants, the clincher is it's his last chance to connect with his proud, overbearing parent. What Buddy didn't expect was to encounter crime in Freedom, a privileged coastal community a hundred miles north of Los Angeles, as vicious and challenging as that of the city. The brutal murder of a prominent Freedom High School sports coach leads Buddy into a clandestine universe of sexual deception, play parties, unwitting athletes, over-privileged youths, treacherous bullies, and shocking malfeasance. At the same time, a sudden scourge of graffiti is disfiguring both public and private property. Outraged, knowing he has few legal weapons to wield, Buddy is forced to find new and challenging ways to thwart the street artist, or artists, responsible. Irreverent and imaginative, not to say manipulative, Buddy is just the man for the job. Buddy's plate is soon full and the stakes are enormous as he sets about bringing resolution to a glut of seemingly irresolute occurrences." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

The Whispering Girls

DB135067 8 hours 25 minutes

by Jennifer Chase

read by Erin Jones

"Dressed only in an oversized t-shirt, with a burlap sack covering her head, the body of a girl swings gently from the branches in the breeze. A newly

lit candle burns on the ground below. The killer was here just moments ago... Taking a much-needed break in a cabin in the woods with her service dog Cisco, Detective Katie Scott is disturbed by a sharp knocking at the door. Outside, she finds a terrified girl called TJ, begging for help — she says she has found a dead girl in the forest. When they reach the scene, Katie turns to ask TJ further questions, but she has vanished. At dawn the next day, the body of another girl is found laid out only a mile from the first. To Katie's horror, she realizes it is TJ. The scene looks eerily similar, with a small shrine below her feet. What kind of monster would do this? And if a twisted serial killer is at work, who is their next victim? As more bodies and shrines emerge, Katie needs to find the link between the girls and the unhinged killer. But when she stumbles across a cold case that the local police seem determined to keep quiet, Katie realizes danger could be closer to her than she first thought. How much will Katie sacrifice to find the killer and can she stop more innocent lives from being taken?" — From Goodreads. Violence. 2025.

Fall

DB133848 11 hours 45 minutes
by Tracy Clark
read by Chantal Jean-Pierre
"The Chicago PD is on high alert when two city aldermen are found dead: one by apparent suicide, one brutally stabbed in his office, and both with thirty dimes left on their bodies - a betrayer's payment. With no other clues, the question is, Who else has a debt to pay? Detective Harriet Foster is on the case before the killer can

strike again. But even with the help of her partner, Detective Vera Li, and the rest of their team, Harriet has little to go on and a lot at risk. There's no telling who the killer's next target is or how many will come next. To stop another murder, Harriet and her officers will have to examine what the victims had going on behind the scenes to determine who could be tangled up in this web of betrayal ... and who could be out for revenge." — From Goodreads. Violence and strong language. 2023.

Murder in Paris

DB135425 6 hours 58 minutes
by Helena Dixon
read by Kristin Allison
"Paris, 1937. Kitty Underhay, with a croissant in hand and her handsome husband Matt by her side, is soaking up the delightfully Parisian charms of the French capital. Kitty attends a fashion show where she is enamoured by the dazzling gowns, but the afternoon takes a very sour turn when one of the models, Simone Belliste, is found dead with a pair of razor sharp tailoring scissors nearby. Kitty and Matt are determined to work out who could be behind the murder. They perch in tiny cafés on cobblestone streets, deliberating over who would do such a thing. Simone had many admirers, including a wealthy older Englishman who had been wooing her and a handsome young Frenchman who was besotted with her. But she was also surrounded by glamorous designers, competitive models, and a jealous younger sister ... and nobody is without motive. Just as Kitty and Matt are jotting down their list of suspects, they receive

a call: Simone's sister Nathalie has been attacked, and her valuable folder of dressmaking patterns is missing. Can they unravel the secrets surrounding the two sisters? Or will they be next in line? With a murderer in their midst, can the team of two find the killer before it's adieu for both of them? Or will this Parisian sojourn be their last?" — From publisher. 2025.

Probable Paws

DB135563 6 hours 12 minutes

by Leighann Dobbs

read by Elisabeth S. Rodgers

"Middle-aged bookstore owner Willa Chance is often haunted by ghosts who want her to do their bidding. Usually it involves the nasty business of bringing their killer to justice, so when the ghost of Adelaide Hamilton asks her to find an old recipe book and give it to Elspeth Whipple, it seems like an easy job." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2016.

Shaken Spirits: a Daisy Gumm Majesty Mystery

DB133410 9 hours 20 minutes

by Alice Duncan

read by Anne Marie Damman

"January, 1925 Daisy Gumm Majesty, her family and fiancé, Sam Rotondo — detective with the Pasadena Police Department — are leaving the Tournament of Roses Parade when Daisy is struck by a passing motorcar. Although scratched, bruised and with a dislocated shoulder, the outcome could have been much worse were it not for Sam's quick action. But the pain and discomfort are quickly replaced by something worse when it becomes obvious that this was

no accident — someone wants Daisy dead. Unfortunately, the would-be-killer is not easily discouraged and it's going to take all the investigative savvy Daisy and Sam can muster to save Daisy's life."

— From Goodreads. Some violence and some strong language. 2019.

A Beautiful Blue Death

DB135980 9 hours 2 minutes

by Charles Finch

read by James Langton

"On any given day in London, all Charles Lenox, Victorian gentleman and armchair explorer, wants to do is relax in his private study with a cup of tea, a roaring fire and a good book. It's a nice life. But when his lifelong friend Lady Jane asks for his help, Lenox cannot resist another chance to unravel a mystery, even if it means trudging through the snow to her townhouse next door. One of Jane's former servants, Prudence Smith, is dead — an apparent suicide. But Lenox suspects something far more sinister: murder by a rare and deadly poison. The house where the girl worked is full of suspects and, though Prudence dabbled with the hearts of more than a few men, Lenox is baffled by an elusive lack of motive in the girl's death. When another body turns up during the London season's most fashionable ball, Lenox must untangle a web of loyalties and animosities. Was it jealousy that killed Prudence? Or was it something else entirely different, something that Lenox alone can uncover before the killer strikes again?" — From Goodreads. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2011.

Gathering Dark

DB134473 11 hours 13 minutes

by Candice Fox

read by Karissa Vacker

“A convicted killer. A gifted thief.

A vicious ganglord. A disillusioned cop. Together they’re a missing girl’s only hope. Dr. Blair Harbour, once a wealthy, respected pediatric surgeon, is now an ex-con down on her luck.

She’s determined to keep her nose clean and win back custody of her son. But when her former cellmate begs for help to find her missing daughter, Blair is compelled to put her new-found freedom on the line. Detective Jessica Sanchez has always had a difficult relationship with the LAPD. And her inheritance of a multi-million dollar mansion as a reward for catching a killer has just made her police enemy number one. It’s been ten years since Jessica arrested Blair for cold-blooded murder. So when Jessica opens the door to the disgraced doctor late one night she expects abuse, maybe even violence. What comes next is a plea for help ...” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2021.

Strangers in the Villa

DB135834 9 hours 22 minutes

by Robyn Harding

read by Katherine Littrell

“Sydney Lowe’s life in New York is shattered when her husband, Curtis, admits to a meaningless affair with a client. Begging for forgiveness and vowing to prove his devotion, Curtis suggests the couple retreat to a remote hilltop house in Spain to repair their marriage. High above the Mediterranean, Sydney and Curtis are working on the

isolated property and their relationship when a pair of Australian travelers turns up at their door in dire need of help. Lonely for companionship and desperate for free labor, Sydney and Curtis invite the attractive young couple to stay. But as the days pass, dark secrets come to light, the Lowes’ bond is tested, and not everyone will leave the villa alive.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Down Cemetery Road

DB135982 11 hours 40 minutes

by Mick Herron

read by Alix Dunmore

“CWA Gold Dagger winner Mick Herron’s debut novel introduces Sarah Tucker, whose search for a missing child unravels a murderous conspiracy. When a house explodes in a quiet Oxford suburb and a young girl disappears in the aftermath, Sarah Tucker — a young married woman, bored and unhappy with domestic life — becomes obsessed with finding her. Accustomed to dull chores in a childless household and hosting her husband’s wearisome business clients for dinner, Sarah suddenly finds herself questioning everything she thought she knew, as her investigation reveals that people long believed dead are still among the living, while the living are fast joining the dead. What begins in a peaceful neighborhood reaches its climax on a remote, unwelcoming Scottish island as the search puts Sarah in league with a man who finds himself being hunted down by murderous official forces.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

Fear for Her Life

DB134335 9 hours 31 minutes

by D. K. Hood

read by Carol Jacobanis

“As Sheriff Jenna Alton and her deputy David Kane rush into the remote pine forest surrounding Black Rock Falls, Jenna’s pulse races when she sees the glint of metal behind a line of trees: a prison bus, the lifeless body of its driver slumped over the steering wheel, and its four prisoners escaped into the wilderness ... Jenna’s heart pounds at the thought of the violent murders each of the fugitives committed, among them the The Ice Pick Killer who drove women to remote locations before taking their innocent young lives. And worse, female warden, Amy Clark, is missing from the bus. Amy is new to the job, and her family have been calling for news on the lost van for hours. Jenna scans the acres of dangerous woodland around her, vowing to search every inch to bring Amy back to her family. Nearby gunshots put Jenna on the killers’ trail, but as she descends on a small cabin, it’s clear from the deadly silence that the men have already moved on, leaving behind the body of an innocent old man. Jenna screams his granddaughter’s name into the woodland. But Serena has vanished, just like Amy. As night draws in, Jenna fears the murderers are on a direct path toward Black Rock Falls, and she dreads to think what could happen if they made it to the quiet small town. Pushed to her limit chasing four twisted killers, will she catch them in time to save the lives of the two missing girls?” — From Goodreads. Violence. 2025.

The Intern: an Orphan X story

DB135645 0 hours 32 minutes

by Gregg Hurwitz

read by Kristin Allison

“The Nowhere Man is a figure shrouded in secrecy — a near legendary figure who helps the truly desperate, those with nowhere else to turn who are lucky enough to be able to reach out to him. When darkness closes in, the Nowhere Man is your last, best hope. Before he was the Nowhere Man, Evan Smoak was a highly trained government operative known to a few as Orphan X. But he now lives by hiding in plain sight, keeping his head down and his eyes clear. So when a local summer intern for a tabloid news site finds herself trailing an aggressive reporter into a crime zone, things go terribly awry. The only person who can help her is a man with the background and the skills of the Nowhere Man.” — From Goodreads. Strong language and some violence. 2018.

Flipping Out

DB135830 7 hours 23 minutes

by Marshall Karp

read by Tom Stechschulte

“TV producer and bestselling author Marshall Karp is the mastermind behind this suspenseful and uproariously funny mystery series. Working on southern California’s highest profile homicide cases, detectives Mike Lomax and Terry Biggs get the job done, bickering and arguing all the way. Who would want to murder bubbly event planner Jo Drabyak? This charming young lady seemingly had no enemies. The only lead Lomax and Biggs have to work with is a new business venture Jo had entered

into with a group of fellow officers' wives. They 'flip' old houses — renovate them, then sell them for a profit — in conjunction with a bestselling mystery author who features the property in her latest novel. Now the other wives — including Terry's wife Marilyn — fear they could be the next target. Karp's fan-favorite detectives keep the laughs coming, but these two aren't Keystone Cops." — From publisher. Violence, strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Commercial audiobook. 2016.

The Mystery of Mercy Close: A Walsh Sister Novel

DB135737 16 hours 0 minutes

by Marian Keyes

read by Caroline Lennon

"At thirty-three, Helen's job as a private investigator has proven less than fruitful and after losing her flat, she moves back in with Mammy Walsh. Her hunky new boyfriend, Artie, and his three adorable children are a great distraction, but his beautiful ex-wife lives a little too close for comfort. Meanwhile, Helen runs into her ex-boyfriend Jay Parker and reluctantly signs on to help him locate Wayne Diffney, the recently disappeared fourth member of Ireland's biggest mid-nineties boy band, Laddz." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2013.

My Grandfather, the Master Detective

DB135985 7 hours 46 minutes

by Masateru Konishi

read by Hanako Footman

"He's not your average Grandpa. As a lover of classic crime stories, it's no surprise that schoolteacher Kaede

encounters everyday mysteries more often than your typical twenty-seven-year-old. Solving them is another matter, though. For that, she turns to her beloved grandfather, who retains a keen sharpness of mind despite his dementia, and who was once a key member of The Waseda Mystery Club. From impossible locked room murders to confounding missing persons cases, the grandfather-granddaughter duo 'weave stories' to get to the bottom of every mystery. But all the while, an insidious shadow from Kaede's past slowly closes in on her ... " From — Publisher. Translated from the 2023 Japanese edition. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

No Good Deed

DB136285 10 hours 51 minutes

by Katherine Kovacic

read by Siho Elsmore

"Rena and Tom have been planning this trip for years: just the two of them, retired, setting out into remote bush country to enjoy nature's dramatic beauty-and each other's company. When Tom dies unexpectedly just before they are to depart, Rena almost cancels, but there's nothing left at home but painful memories. She hits the road in her kitted-out truck, vowing to follow the itinerary she and Tom had mapped, hoping the trip will at least distract her from her devastating loss. Not far from her first planned stop, Rena notices a fire burning some distance off the highway. Being a good citizen, she ventures off-road and is horrified to find a vehicle consumed by flames, with what's left of the driver still inside. When she learns that the victim is a fellow geologist — a

less-than-reputable character whom she hadn't seen in twenty years — Rena begins an unofficial and unwelcome investigation fraught with deceit, diamond theft, and murder. Had her old colleague found a new pipeline for the rare and valuable pink diamond and been killed for it? And if Rena doesn't mind her own business, will she be next?" — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Laws of Depravity: Revised Edition

DB136201 9 hours 23 minutes

by Eriq La Salle

read by Eriq La Salle

"Every ten years, for the past thirty years, a dozen clergymen are killed, brutally murdered in twisted scenes emulating the deaths of Jesus and his disciples. It is the work of a serial killer known as the Martyr Maker. And in 2011, he set his mark on New York City. NYPD detectives Quincy Cavanaugh and Phee Freeman, along with FBI agent Janet Maclin, know they have very little time to catch this monster before he completes his final cycle of killing and disappears forever. But the investigation is made even more difficult when they discover that the seemingly unrelated clergymen are anything but the symbols of godliness they would have their community believe." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2022.

The Sister Taken

DB135377 8 hours 46 minutes

by Michael Lindley

read by Emily Sutton-Smith

"A wayward sister. A 'jaw-dropping' twist. The shocking disappearance of a young woman and a suspicious

death put Hanna and Alex back in the crosshairs of the ruthless Dellahousaye crime family. Hanna and Alex again find themselves in the troubled waters of love and commitment. Alex returns to South Carolina with the promise of a new start but with strings attached that Hanna may never be able to live with. The story plays out against the compelling backdrop of Charleston, Pawleys Island, and the fictional Dugganville, South Carolina. The Sister Taken is Michael Lindley's latest dark and twisting tale of corruption, betrayal, and murder set in the Low Country of South Carolina, featuring attorney Hanna Walsh and now former Charleston police detective Alex Frank." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2022.

The Chill

DB135029 8 hours 26 minutes

by Ross Macdonald

read by Tom Parker

"Lew Archer knows he shouldn't have taken the case, but Alex Kincaid seemed so desperate. Kincaid's loving new bride Dolly has just inexplicably walked out on him, leaving Kincaid more than a little fearful for her sanity and her safety. So Archer reluctantly agreed to help Kincaid find his wife. But what he finds instead is enough to send a chill down anyone's spine — a new fresh corpse and evidence linking Dolly not only to this murder but to a series of others dating back to before she was even born." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2005.

Spider to the Fly

DB133090 11 hours 4 minutes

by James Markert

read by MacKenzie Beyer

“A true crime author helps in a desperate hunt for a killer in this dark and twisted thriller from the deviously inventive horror author that Peter Farris calls the ‘clear heir to Stephen King.’ Ellie Isles first became obsessed with the I-64 murders when she saw her own face on one of the victims. Identical to every detail, the woman wasn’t her, but she could have been. Compelled to discover the story of her doppelgänger’s death, Ellie wrote a bestselling true crime book about the serial killer, dubbed ‘the Spider.’ Four years later, the Spider still hasn’t been caught, and his victim count is climbing. Many of the bodies remain unidentified, but with Ellie’s online network of true crime followers, that’s slowly changing. Together they’ve pooled information to create a massive database that tracks people at risk of becoming Jane and John Does — the homeless, the drug addicted, and the downtrodden — with the hopes that if they become victims, they might at least be identified. Now that Ellie has successfully identified multiple victims, the law enforcement task force tracking down the Spider pulls her in to help — and after Ellie’s therapist is arrested for the murders, she is more determined than ever to help catch the Spider. With striking prose and a horror flair, *Spider to the Fly* is an engrossing serial killer thriller, perfect for fans of *The Whisper Man*.” — From publisher. Violence, strong language and descriptions of sex. 2025.

Florida Palms

DB136283 16 hours 4 minutes

by Joe Pan

read by Charlie Thurston

“It’s 2009, the height of the Great Recession. Best friends Eddy, Cueball, and Jesse are fresh out of high school and wild at heart, but the economy is in the dumps. With jobs scarce along Florida’s Space Coast, they join a furniture-moving company run by Cueball’s father, a gruff ex-con biker who’s supposedly retired from the fast life. But when a mysterious old boss arrives in town, the payload is switched out, and the young men are coerced into shipping a new designer drug up the East Coast. What is advertised as a bastion of brotherhood and respect quickly spirals into back-alley deals, bloodshed, and an all-out turf war that will test the bounds of love and friendship. Enticed by larger paychecks, and fueled by burgeoning drug habits, the young friends find themselves trapped between rank opportunists, warring gangsters, meth zombies, crazed bikers, and a blowgun-wielding hitman, all vying for a shot at the big time. Soaring, ambitious, and deeply humane, *Florida Palms* is a gritty coming-of-age story with enormous heart and an unflinching vision of the violence and inequities facing forgotten communities. In a relentless race against desperate circumstances, the young friends must fully embrace the crime life or abandon their loyalties and risk ending up face down in the muck of the unforgiving swamps.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

Cross & Sampson

DB135465 7 hours 27 minutes

by James Patterson and Brian Sitts

read by Dion Graham

“Metro PD detective John Sampson stands in a crater in the middle of a DC street, calling in the bomb squad. ‘Dispatch, this is Sampson. Contact the FBI and the ATF. We’ve got a suspected terrorist attack here.’ In Chapel Hill, NC, Alex Cross searches the apartment of a missing psychology grad student — his own son Damon. Has following in his famous father’s footsteps made Damon a target?” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Deliver Us from Evil: A Chautauqua Murder Mystery

DB134657 6 hours 5 minutes

by Deb Pines

read by Lindsey Pierce

“Mimi Goldman, who solved multiple murders in her splashy 2013 debut, *IN THE SHADOW OF DEATH*, is back! The lovable reporter and New York City expat expects peace and quiet when she returns to the Chautauqua Institution to work for the sleepy local newspaper. But when her boss turns up dead, Mimi faces her toughest test yet. An extra-puzzling whodunit. A threat to her life. And a challenge to her sense of justice and forgiveness posed by Chautauqua’s Amish neighbors.” — From Goodreads. Strong language and some violence. 2024.

Uncle Abner: Master of Mysteries

DB128289 10 hours 38 minutes

by Melville Davisson Post

read by Michael Kramer

“How could a murderer come through

a closed window, without disturbing the cobwebs? How can a dead man and his horse be made to vanish? How could thieves creep through an ordinary keyhole to steal a hoard of gold? This famous collection chronicles the exploits of Uncle Abner, a powerful mind and moral figure in the wilderness and frontier territories of the Appalachians. Set in the 1840s and 1850s in what is now West Virginia, these stories profile the detective as seen through the eyes of his young nephew. With a combination of shrewd deductive skill, uncanny intuition, and keen powers of perception, Uncle Abner deftly exposes evil and evildoers.” — From publisher. Originally published 1918. Some violence and some strong language. 2025.

The Woman in the Veil

DB135736 11 hours 12 minutes

by Laura Joh Rowland

read by Alex Tregear

“London, June 1890. Sarah Bain and her friends Lord Hugh Staunton and Mick O’Reilly are crime-scene photographers for the *Daily World* newspaper. After solving a sensational murder, they’re under pressure to deliver another big story. On a foggy summer night, they’re called to the bank of the River Thames. The murder victim is an unidentified woman whose face has been slashed. But as Sarah takes photographs, she discovers that the woman is still alive. The case of *Sleeping Beauty* becomes a public sensation, and three parties quickly come forward to identify her: a rich, sinister artist who claims she’s his wife; a mother and her two daughters who co-own a nursing home and claim

she's their stepdaughter/sister; and a precocious little girl who claims Sleeping Beauty is her mother. Which party is Sleeping Beauty's rightful kin? Is someone among them her would-be killer? Then Sleeping Beauty awakens — with a severe case of amnesia. She's forgotten her name and everything else about herself. But she recognizes one of the people who've claimed her. Sarah is delighted to reunite a family and send Sleeping Beauty home — until one of the claimants is murdered. Suddenly, Sarah, her motley crew of friends, and her fiancé Detective Sergeant Barrett are on the wrong side of the law. Now they must identify the killer before they find themselves headed for the gallows.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2020.

The Last Stand

DB134828 7 hours 8 minutes

by Mickey Spillane

read by Dan John Miller

“When legendary mystery writer Mickey Spillane died in 2006, he left behind the manuscript of one last novel he'd just completed: *The Last Stand*. He asked his friend and colleague (and fellow Mystery Writers of America Grand Master) Max Allan Collins to take responsibility for finding the right time and place to publish this final book. Now, on the hundredth anniversary of Spillane's birth, his millions of fans will at last get to listen to *The Last Stand*, together with a second never-before-published work, this one from early in Spillane's career: the feverish crime novella *A Bullet for Satisfaction*. A tarnished former cop goes on a crusade to find a politician's

killer and avoid the .45-caliber slug with his name on it. A pilot forced to make an emergency landing in the desert finds himself at the center of a struggle between FBI agents, unsavory fortune hunters, and members of the local Indian tribe to control a mysterious find that could mean wealth and power — or death. Two substantial new works filled with Spillane's muscular prose and the gorgeous women and two-fisted action the author was famous for, topped off by an introduction from Max Allan Collins describing the history of these lost manuscripts and his long relationship with the writer who was his mentor, his hero, and for much of the last century, the best-selling author in the world.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2019.

Winter's Rescue

DB136205 7 hours 23 minutes

by Mary Stone

read by Brittany Goodwin

“Nice girls finish last. Bad girls finish dead. When Private Detective Winter Black-Dalton receives a slew of messages from a mother desperate to protect her children after a traumatizing divorce, she takes the case without hesitation. Not only is it a welcome distraction from unpacking boxes, but Winter hopes to assuage the guilt still fusing her to her past. She should have known better. A crayon drawing of guns and ‘nakid notty girls’ by her client's five-year-old daughter hints at the wealthy and powerful father's depraved activities. When the man in question warns Winter off the investigation, he reeks of cunning. But she has no hard

facts, only impressions. And with no FBI badge to open doors, she needs to get creative. But the more Winter investigates, she fears something far more sinister lurks beneath the surface. And when local call girls mysteriously disappear, Winter must risk it all to save other young women from the same fate.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2024.

Deadly Politics

DB136199 9 hours 20 minutes

by LynDee Walker

read by Thérèse Plummer

“When a call girl is found dead in a popular governor’s office, investigative report Nichelle Clarke must risk everything to uncover the dangerous truth behind the murder...” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2019.

The Best American Mystery & Suspense, 2025

DB135729 14 hours 16 minutes

edited by Don Winslow and Steph Cha

read by Anna Caputo

“While a single sentence can turn a novel, a single word can turn a short story,” writes guest editor Don Winslow. The pieces featured in this collection hinge on those small, exacting moments that shock, spook, delight, and change a story entirely. A disgraced ex-cop approaches a crossroads with his ex-wife and new neighbor, pistol in hand; an ill-advised acid trip reveals the dark side of a twisted friendship; a hardened hit man struggles with his latest target. Full of dramatic twists, subtle clues, and chilling reveals, *The Best American Mystery and Suspense 2025* will keep you on the

edge of your seat until the very last shoe drops.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

Occult and Horror

The Midnight Knock

DB135721 13 hours 25 minutes

by John Fram

read by Angel Pean

“In the frigid west Texas desert, weary travelers converge at a lonely roadside motel nestled at the foot of a massive mountain. Ethan and Hunter have left behind a corpse, a fire, and a horrific act of violence. Kyla and Fernanda are fleeing for the border. Stanley and his granddaughter are returning from Mexico with a mysterious man in hot pursuit. All of them are on the run from something. All of them are hiding something. And somehow, they’re all connected to the motel’s other guest, an enigmatic woman named Sarah Powers. Within hours, Sarah is dead. The strange twins who run the Brake Inn Motel inform the surviving guests that her murder demands justice. The guests are given an ultimatum: uncover the killer by midnight — or die when the protective lights around the motel go out. Because something very old and very dangerous lurks in this corner of the desert. And it’s hungry. But nothing at the Brake Inn Motel is quite as it seems. As time ticks away, alliances fracture, secrets unravel, and the guests will not only have to confront the violence of the past — they will need to face the darkness within themselves.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

The Descent: The Official Movie Novelization

DB136081 5 hours 53 minutes

by Christian Francis

read by Lynch Ella

“After a tragic accident, six friends reunite for a caving expedition. Their adventure soon goes horribly wrong when a collapse traps them deep underground and they find themselves pursued by bloodthirsty creatures. As their friendships deteriorate, they find themselves in a desperate struggle to survive the creatures and each other.” — From Goodreads. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

The Long Low Whistle

DB133404 6 hours 1 minute

by Laurel Hightower

read by Mary March

“The sound of the whistle that split Patricia’s life in two still haunts her two decades later, its echoes leaving their indelible stamp on everything she does. The rift caused by her father’s unsolved death haunts her, pushing her to ever more dangerous attempts to put his memory to rest. Breaking into mausoleums in the dead of night isn’t how she pictured her life, but she’ll do almost anything to know what happened. When a group of amateur cryptid hunters shows up in her small town, Trish doesn’t hesitate to take what might be her only chance to find answers, even if they’re searching in the last place she should be. A sealed, abandoned mine; tight underground passages filled with unseen creatures, and impenetrable darkness await the crew, but it’s the only path forward, and Trish won’t

leave her father’s legacy buried, delving ever deeper into danger to where that whistle still moans.” — From WorldCat. Violence and strong language. 2025.

Trad Wife

DB135976 11 hours 14 minutes

by Saratoga Schaefer

read by Rachel L. Jacobs

“Every #tradwife needs a baby. She’ll get one at any cost. When Camille Deming isn’t cooking, cleaning, or homesteading in her picture-perfect country farmhouse, she’s posting about her tradwife lifestyle for her online followers. She takes inspiration from other tradwives on social media, aspiring to be like them, but Camille’s missing a key component: a baby. And contrary to what she posts online, things with her husband, Graham, have been strained. Pressured by her eager followers, Camille fears that without a baby, her relationship will suffer and her social media will never grow out of its infancy. When Camille discovers a mysterious, decrepit well in the wheatfield behind her house, she makes a wish for a baby. Afterward, she has unsettling experiences that she convinces herself are angelic in nature, and when she’s visited one night by a strange creature, her wish comes true. Camille’s pregnancy announcement gets more engagement than anything she’s ever posted — so what if Graham’s reaction is lukewarm? Camille’s life is finally falling into place. Never mind that her pregnancy is developing freakishly rapidly and she’s suddenly craving raw meat. Being a traditional wife is worth it.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Force of Temptation

DB135074 11 hours 10 minutes

by Suzanne Wright

read by Jill Fox

“Harley Vincent is resigned to life in the human world. Sure, being a margay shifter is half her nature, but life among humans gives her the freedom to roam and do as she pleases. That is, until anti-shifter extremists target her, putting her life in immediate danger. When an old acquaintance and onetime fling, Jesse Dalton, shows up to offer the protection of his pack, Harley hesitates. She may have feelings for Jesse that go beyond their one-night stand, but life among shifters means giving over her independence to the needs of pack. Plus Mercury Pack has its own threat to face: a rich half-shifter is determined to claim their territory at any cost. Jesse, who lost his true mate as a child, has wanted Harley since their night together, and he’s not letting her go again. They may not be destined for each other, but he knows she belongs to him and with his pack. Even if he can convince her to join him now, can he convince her to stay?” — From publisher. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 2016.

Psychological Themes

The Liar I Married

DB134915 6 hours 56 minutes

by D.K. Hood

read by Kristin Allison

“Two people. One marriage. A lie that could kill them... When I met my husband John for the first time, he swept me off my feet. Now I lie in a hospital bed, recovering from a car crash, and

John refuses to tell me what happened. He insists he’s looking after my best interests, but when an anonymous note is left in my room, telling me not to trust anyone, I wonder if that also includes my husband? I stare into my wife’s big, beautiful eyes and my stomach twists. We used to be so happy — how did it all come to this? As she begs me to tell her what happened that night, I struggle to find the words. You see, our marriage isn’t as perfect as Jessie makes out, and the night of the crash, something terrible happened... something that no one — not even Jessie — can ever know. For both of our sakes, I have to do whatever it takes to stop the truth coming out... In a marriage full of secrets, there are always two sides to the story. But who is the liar and who is telling the truth?” — From Goodreads. Some strong language. 2025.

Religious Themes

The Amish Innkeeper’s Secret

DB134085 1 hour 10 minutes

by Patricia Davids

read by Mare Trevathan

“Emma Wadler has made a good life for herself, running the Wadler Inn in the town of Hope Springs, Ohio. She has accepted her life as an ‘old maid,’ and is content catering to the tourists who come to view her Amish community. She had once hoped to marry and raise a family of her own, but her fiancé died tragically when they were both only seventeen, and Emma has guarded her heart ever since. Adam Troyer fixes things. Having just returned to the faith after years in the English world, Adam is hoping to prove to his father that he is committed to a simple life. So he’s happy to be

hired by Emma's mother to make repairs to the inn during the winter off-season. The old Swiss-style Chalet has its share of problems, but nothing he can't fix. Nothing except perhaps the broken heart of the owner... " — From publisher. 2020.

Who Do I Talk To?

DB135979 11 hours 36 minutes

by Neta Jackson

read by Barbara Rosenblat

"When her husband locks her out of their Chicago penthouse and disappears with her sons, Gabby is left homeless and stunned. Taking refuge at the women's shelter where she works, she tries to salvage the shattered pieces of her life. There, her friends — Lucy the bag lady and the women of the Yada Yada Prayer Group — offer their support." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2010.

Ruby Jane: The Montana Marshalls

DB135571 9 hours 46 minutes

by Susan May Warren

read by James L. Rubart

"She loved ... and lost. Ruby Jane never thought she'd meet the man of her dreams while running from the police in Russia. That he'd steal her heart on a train to Siberia. But loving a former CIA officer comes with a price ... a life of danger. A life of high stakes. A life where he simply disappears ... He has no memory of the man he was. Mack Jones has no memory of his past ... just the dark sense that he is hiding. And, he wants to stay that way. Mack likes the life he's built in a small tourist town, tucked away beyond the mountains, and has no desire to dig around in the gray

areas of his memory. When his place of business catches fire and Mack rescues the owner, he makes the news, which of course alerts the past he's hoping to outrun. The only person who can help him is a mysterious woman he doesn't remember. But a woman he desperately needs." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2020.

Romance

Bad Medicine

DB135745 10 hours 21 minutes

by Kristen Ashley

read by Stella Bloom

"Willow Knightley has just been through it with her ex-mooch of a boyfriend. But sadly, he's just the latest in a long string of men (starting at birth) who didn't treat her right. She decides her only recourse is to give up on men forever. The problem is, her friend/acquaintance/one-time bodyguard, member of the Nightingale Investigations & Security team, Gabriel Stark, has targeted her as His One. Gabe's been through it at the hands of women too, so he knows exactly what he wants. And he wants Willow. Willow states her case against them being an us, but she doesn't count on the fact that not only does Gabe love a challenge, he lives for them. Up against an onslaught from a man who rinses his own whiskers out of the sink, Willow might not stand a chance. But then, while the Angels are trying to figure out what's got one of their informants very jittery, she gets a hint that there are demons in Gabe's history, and she has to know. The bets are on ... And luck favors a Stark." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

The Clause in Christmas**DB136011** 8 hours 18 minutes

by Rachael Bloome

read by E. L. Beckett

“Cassie Hayward hates Christmas. Especially this year. No job. Flat broke. And an ex most definitely on the naughty list. The unexpected inheritance of a charming Victorian cottage in the small town of Poppy Creek may be the Christmas miracle Cassie needs. Except for one itty-bitty problem: a clause in the will. To inherit the house, Cassie must complete a series of festive tasks every day in December leading up to Christmas. All overseen by the handsome, Christmas-loving lawyer Luke Davis. Luke is as strong and steady as the bespoke furniture he crafts as a hobby. He has to be. Stepping into his late father’s shoes as the town lawyer comes with a sleigh full of responsibilities. Which means the captivating stranger collecting her inheritance is a distraction he can’t afford. As the unlikely pair complete the daily tasks, fighting their attraction becomes more futile than putting jolly ole St. Nick on a diet. But when someone from Cassie’s past reappears with the offer of a lifetime, Cassie will have to choose between love and the life she thought she wanted.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2023.

Tidal Treasures**DB134120** 4 hours 31 minutes

by Kay Correll

read by Jazzy Frizzle

“A woman desperate for a fresh start. A chance discovery. And a journey that could change everything. When Jenna

buys an old cottage on Magnolia Key, she’s hoping to leave her troubled past behind. But as she peels away layers of wallpaper, she uncovers more than just dated decor — she finds a hidden box containing love letters from the 1920s. Drawn into the mystery of star-crossed lovers from long ago, Jenna finds herself falling for Nash, the charming local contractor helping her renovate. But as she digs deeper into the island’s secrets, she realizes that some mysteries are better left unsolved. In this heartwarming tale of second chances and small-town charm, Jenna must decide if she’s ready to confront the ghosts of her past and open her heart to a future filled with love and belonging.” — From publisher. 2025.

When a Heart Stops**DB134454** 10 hours 4 minutes

by Lynette Eason

read by Mia Ellis

“Spunky and outgoing, nothing much bothers medical examiner Serena Hopkins — except for the thought of falling in love again. But when a serial killer is picking off her former classmates, Serena’s life becomes intertwined with her old high school crush, FBI agent Dominic Allen. Is the secret she’s keeping putting her next on the killer’s hit list? Can she trust Dominic with the truth before it’s too late?” — From Goodreads. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2015.

Something Sinful**DB134341** 14 hours 7 minutes

by Suzanne Enoch

read by Terry Donnelly

“Drawn to the seductive and apparently

naive young woman he meets at a ball, Lord Charlemagne Griffin is unaware that Lady Sarala Carlisle's gorgeous appearance masks a razor-sharp intelligence and the ability to beat him at his own game." — From publisher. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2006.

Hacking Mr. CEO

DB134912 5 hours 39 minutes

by Anna Hackett

read by Kristin Allison

"To save the only mother I've ever known, all I have to do is hack a tech billionaire. My foster mother is sick. The woman who gave me a home, love, a life. I'll do anything to find the money for her surgery, including using my skills as a hacker. My name's Remi, also known as Rogue Angel, and usually I work for a security company testing clients' systems. But now a shadowy bad guy has tracked me down and given me an ultimatum. I have to hack Rivera Tech — the biggest technology company in the world, owned by billionaire CEO, Maverick Rivera. If I do, I get paid and I can help my foster mother. If I don't, my family is in danger. Hacking Rivera is no walk in the park, and soon I find myself in a tantalizing game of cat and mouse with big, grumpy, and way-too-sexy Maverick. What I never, ever expected was for him to make me feel safe, or to threaten my closely-guarded heart, or to ignite every single part of me. I can't drag him into my mess. But Maverick has other ideas, and he isn't a man who takes no for an answer." — From publisher. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2021.

Always Have

DB135568 6 hours 55 minutes

by Claire Kingsley

read by James Cavanaugh

"Kylie's best friend Braxton is the hottest man she's ever known, with a rock hard body and a smile that melts the panties off every woman he meets. Except Kylie. Mostly. Kylie is anxious to get off the dating carousel and find something real. Despite the way Braxton tends to suck the air from her lungs, she knows he's trouble. He's just another player, and she's tired of the game. But Braxton isn't the man she thinks. The real reason he's sh*t with women is simple. None of the women he's with are the one he wants. None of them are Kylie. He wants to love her in every way imaginable, but there's always something in the way. So he stays her friend, watching her date men who are too stupid to realize how special she is. Always worried the next one won't be. The next one will be the man who takes her from him forever. Loving Kylie risks every fiber of their friendship but losing her might be more than Braxton can take." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2019.

The Bookstore Diaries

DB136291 11 hours 12 minutes

by Susan Mallery

read by Tanya Eby

"Jax has a slight issue with control — as in, she needs it. Always. Too bad she has power only over the Painted Lady Bookstore, the Victorian mansion turned bookshop she inherited. No one else listens to a word she says. Her ex gets engaged for questionable

reasons. Her beloved sister, Ryleigh, wants to move away to find a husband. And the handsome contractor Jax has chosen to convince Ryleigh to stay is only interested in Jax. Still, she's living the bookworm dream — until an unhappy accident erases the names from the bookshop lockboxes where the town keeps their diaries. Which means the only way to find a diary's owner is ... to read it. As secrets spill and scandals surface, life at the Painted Lady Bookstore gets a lot more colorful and chaotic. But for a woman who's always had to take charge, Jax will see that losing control — especially with the right wrong guy — can set you free.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

The Fur Trader's Lady

DB135850 11 hours 15 minutes

by Gabrielle Meyer

read by Alex Wyndham

“To escape her guardian's plans to marry her, Lady Charlotte Fairfax steals away to Montreal to locate Reid McCoy, a fur trader who owes her fiancé a debt for saving his life. Even though European women are forbidden from entering the interior, she is desperate to get to her fiancé deep within the northwestern wilderness. Reid McCoy has worked hard for fifteen years to become a shareholder in the North West Company and is on the brink of realizing that goal. Taking Charlotte into the interior will not only put her life at risk, but it could also jeopardize his dreams. Honor bound to repay his debt, his only option is to have Charlotte dress as a man and enter as his assistant clerk. With Charlotte's

guardian close on their trail and a personal rival willing to do anything to keep Reid from becoming a shareholder, they will embark on an epic journey that will test not only their strength and endurance, but their hearts, as well.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

Meet Me Under the Lights

DB136093 9 hours 22 minutes

by Cassie Miller

read by Zac Chastain

“Childhood friends turned strangers, Eliza and Reed, reunite the summer before senior year when their families make a bet to settle the longstanding feud over the local baseball stadium.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. For senior high and older readers. 2026.

Seabreeze Library

DB136005 6 hours 20 minutes

by Jan Moran

read by Erin Bennett

“Renovation that reveals a long-held secret. As Ivy Bay and her sister Shelly breathe new life into the Seabreeze Inn, an unexpected visitor rolls into town — driving a charming, book-filled bus. But who is this intriguing newcomer, and what stories does she bring? While Ivy lobbies the Summer Beach council and her husband at the helm for a new community library, the renovation reveals a secret that will change everything they imagined. Escape to Summer Beach, where friendships bloom, love lingers in the sunshine, and a touch of mystery keeps everyone guessing.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

And the Crowd Went Wild

DB135845 10 hours 12 minutes

by Susan Elizabeth Phillips

read by Kelli Tager

“After a mortifying — and very public — humiliation, Dancy Flynn is desperate to find sanctuary far from the crowd. But where can a washed-up sex symbol hide? How about making an unannounced appearance at the secluded lake house of the sweet, sensitive high school boyfriend she hasn’t seen in almost twenty years? But Chicago Stars quarterback Clint Garrett is no longer the kid Dancy remembers. Now he’s a gridiron superhero, still holding a massive grudge against her for breaking his teenage heart. With no room in his life for either complexity or distractions, he banishes Dancy to a refurbished old railroad caboose tucked away in the woods ... and out of his sight. Except Dancy’s not good at staying invisible. Her efforts to rebuild her career clash with Clint’s desperation to regain his focus, all made more challenging by a rescue dog, a local woman in trouble, a meddling mother, an ex with an agenda ... and the sizzle of rekindled emotions. As Dancy attempts to get her life on track and Clint tries to get his groove back, can these two one-time lovers navigate their rocky pasts and complicated present to find themselves ... and each other?” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Soldier’s Secret Baby

DB135853 6 hours 0 minutes

by Clara Pines

read by Melanie Mendez

“Can a secret miracle give this wounded

veteran a second chance at love? Chris Bell’s world was shattered when the woman he loved suddenly left him. Now, a serious injury is cutting his military career short and sending him home to Trinity Falls years before he expected. Determined to build a life for himself and his service dog in the small town where he grew up, the last person Chris expects to see is Grace Cassidy. Grace has always had a crush on her cousin’s achingly gorgeous best friend. Two years ago, he made her dreams come true when he let her know he had feelings for her, too. Though he was about to return to the military, he gave her an unforgettable whirlwind romance. He also gave her the greatest miracle she could imagine — one the doctors told her might never happen. The only problem? Chris absolutely, positively doesn’t want children. Two years have passed since Grace did the only thing she could think of and ran with her secret miracle. Now, an unexpected Christmas blizzard leaves the three of them snowed in together at a romantic bed and breakfast on Trinity Falls Lake. Will the wounded hero and the love of his life grab a second chance at the romance they’ve both been longing for and the family baby Izzy deserves?” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2023.

A Summer of Discovery: Faith, Family and Second Chances

DB136187 3 hours 44 minutes

by Samantha Price

read by Samantha Price

“Join Iris as she moves next door to live with her Amish grandmother, trading her smartphone for a bonnet, and discovering that whether you’re connected or off the

grid, family is family — complete with its quirks, quarrels, and well-intentioned, but often misguided, matchmaking. This heartwarming tale reminds us that no matter which side of the fence you're on, love, laughter, and a generous slice of shoofly pie are the key ingredients to thriving in the beautiful, buggy-filled chaos of family life. Prepare for a gently humorous, heartwarming adventure that will leave you wondering whether the grass is truly greener on the other or if it just needs a good trim!" — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

Felicia's Favorites

DB135966 7 hours 26 minutes

by Danielle Steel

read by James Frangione

"After the unexpected death of their mother, Felicia Morgan Weston, her five daughters are summoned to a historic Connecticut farmhouse for the reading of her will. Still reeling from shock, they hear revelations that will potentially change their lives — and they realize there was much more to their mother than they ever knew. Charlotte, the oldest, always resented her mother's advice, but now misses her terribly. An entrepreneur and single mother, she doesn't dare hope for a second chance at love. Although content with her career as a TV producer and her life with her partner in Greenwich Village, Quinne is about to have an opportunity to dream bigger. Former ballet dancer Olivia has lived as a paraplegic since a car accident twelve years ago. Refusing to be a burden, she has denied herself the love of her life. Despite her mother's disapproval, Veronica resigned herself to

a secret relationship with an ambitious married senator. Happily married mother of three Isabelle has just found out that her husband is having an affair with his much younger intern. Each sister is about to receive a gift beyond her wildest dreams from their very private but loving mother, who considered all her girls her favorites." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Kane: A Gangster's Love Story

DB135775 3 hours 4 minutes

by Talena Tillman

read by Ebony Ford

"She is a talented and ambitious fashion designer. He has a notorious reputation as an arms dealer entangled in a dangerous realm where power and secrecy reign. Fate brought them together one sunny afternoon. She needed him, and little did he know, he needed her more. From the moment they laid eyes on one another, Kane and Serenity wanted forever with one another, flaws and all. That was before they realized that they were on separate pages in life. Undoubtedly, the two souls love one another deeply. But as time passes, their chosen diverging paths begin to strain their relationship. Serenity's unwavering dedication to her dreams leads her to make a difficult decision — to move to New York and pursue her career on a grander scale. Their separation is painful, and the distance between them shatters the love they once shared. Can Kane and Serenity somehow bridge the gap between their dreams and desires to find a common ground? And if so, at what price?" — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

Mile High

DB135456 16 hours 53 minutes

by Liz Tomforde

read by Mari and Winston James

“Zanders: Chicago hockey isn’t complete without me — everyone’s favorite player to hate. I know my role, and I play it well. In fact, I thoroughly enjoy spending the majority of my game time in the penalty box before leaving the arena with a new girl on my arm each night. What I don’t like is the new flight attendant on our team’s private plane. She works for me, not the other way around. But I’ll be sure to remind her of that, and I can guarantee, by the end of the season, she’ll be begging to quit her job. But every road trip blurs the lines, and I can’t quite figure out if I keep pushing that flight attendant call button in order to push her buttons or if it’s more than that. Stevie: I’ve been a flight attendant for years. I thought I’d see it all, but when my new job lands me onboard working for the most egotistical and self-righteous diva in the NHL, I start to second guess everything. Including the promise I made to myself of never hooking up with an athlete again ... no matter how annoyingly tempting he may be. Zanders is unfiltered, unapologetic, and too attractive for his own good. He loves his image, but I hate everything about it. Everything but him. Contains mature themes.” — From publisher.

Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2023.

Track of Courage

DB136074 10 hours 0 minutes

by Susan May Warren

read by Brian Hutchison

“A hijacked plane. A pursuing killer. And

a K9’s instinct to help them make it out alive. Pop singer Keely Williams’s search for her biological mother in Alaska has been painfully unsuccessful. Now she just wants to escape this wild frontier and never look back. But when her plane is hijacked, she’s suddenly plunged into a race against not only an Alaskan blizzard but also a killer who’s on her tail. After a career-ending injury, ex-cop Dawson Mulligan has only one friend — Caspian, the stray dog he adopted. Dawson just wants to figure out how to get his life on track, but during a flight home to Copper Mountain, he spots a downed plane and stops to help. Except, when his not-a-rescue dog runs off into the woods and discovers the trail of a missing survivor, it’s up to the former cop to stage a rescue. But Dawson has no idea he’s being pulled into a deadly pursuit, or that Caspian is more than he seems. There might be redemption and second chances waiting for both Dawson and Keely if they have the courage to face their wounded pasts and fight for their future. Join master storyteller Susan May Warren for a propulsive ride through the Alaskan wilderness, where love might be the riskiest — and most rewarding — adventure of all.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Teacher Crush

DB133387 2 hours 49 minutes

by Kate William

read by Jazzy Frizzle

“Pretty and talented Olivia Davidson has always seemed independent. So it comes as a total surprise to Elizabeth Wakefield when Olivia confides in her that she’s lonely. Everyone she knows is going out

with someone, and now she's ready for a new boyfriend. Then Stuart Bachman, a gorgeous artist, starts teaching at Sweet Valley High. Olivia takes his class and is completely swept off her feet by him. Soon Mr. Bachman is all Olivia thinks or talks about. And it looks as if he may return her feelings. Has Olivia found true love, or is she headed for heartbreak?"

— From publisher. Originally published 1989. For senior high and older readers. 2015.

The Copperfield House: A Nantucket Sunset Series, 01

DB135967 6 hours 59 minutes

by Katie Winters

read by Erin Bennett

"The Copperfields were once the most beloved family on Nantucket Island. Twenty-five years ago, their lives changed forever. And they never saw one another again. Not until now. In the spring of 1997, Julia watched as a judge sentenced her father, the renowned novelist, Bernard Copperfield, to twenty-five years in prison for conning, swindling, and stealing millions of dollars from his dearest Nantucket friends and fellow artists. With her family in ruins around her, seventeen-year-old Julia packed up her bags and ran away, pledging never to return to Nantucket ever again. Now forty-three, Julia Copperfield finds herself in the midst of another crisis. The publishing company she built from the ground up is on the brink of collapse; her husband, Jackson, makes an announcement that shocks her to the core; and her adult children have left her an empty-nester. During those long nights alone, she

finds herself daydreaming about long-lost hours at the The Copperfield House, back on Nantucket. To add insult to injury, Bernard Copperfield has just been released from prison — and he's headed back to The Copperfield House. It's been twenty-five years since Julia has seen any of her three siblings or parents in the flesh. But it's time to face the horrific mess she left behind — to return to Nantucket and demand answers for why her father committed his crimes and destroyed the family she'd once adored. But upon her return to the gorgeous island of Nantucket, Julia finds something she never imagined she would — a love she'd nearly completely forgotten about, and a creativity that she'd thought remained deep in the past. Love, creation, and family await her, and as she falls into the throes of a life she'd abandoned so long ago, she soon begins to question her father's put together pieces to a far different puzzle."

— From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2022.

Rustler Mountain

DB136191 10 hours 2 minutes

by Maisey Yates

read by Jennifer Mack

"Every year, thousands of people come through Rustler for the rodeo, historic home tours, old-fashioned candy making demonstrations, sharpshooter shows — and to see the site of the 1800s shootout in which notorious outlaw Austin Wilder was killed by Sheriff Lee Talbot. Now Millie Talbot, the sheriff's descendant, wants to bring back the town's Gold Rush Days. But she needs the current Austin Wilder's support to make her

dream a reality ... The Wilders are rumored to be as true to their last name as their ancestors. Nonetheless, Austin is agreeable to helping Millie. But he wants something in return. Austin is working to clear his family name by writing the true history of his outlaw ancestors and Millie might just hold the key. When Millie wrangles Austin into helping plan Gold Rush Days, he figures it's a chance to get to the truth of the past ... But when sparks start to fly between this bad boy and good girl, will either of them come out of it unscathed?" — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

Science Fiction

Operation Bounce House

DB136231 10 hours 52 minutes

by Matt Dinniman

read by Travis Baldree

"All colonist Oliver Lewis ever wanted to do is run the family ranch with his sister, maybe play a gig or two with his band, and keep his family's aging fleet of intelligent agriculture bots ticking as long as possible. As a fan of Earth television and culture, he figures it will be a good thing when the transfer gate finally opens all the way and restores instant travel and full communication between Earth and his planet, New Sonora. But there's a complication: even though the settlers were promised they'd be left in peace, Earth's government now has other plans. The colossal Apex Corporation is hired to commence an 'eviction action.' But maximizing profits will always be Apex's number one priority." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. Bestseller. 2026.

The Tyrant

DB135585 15 hours 53 minutes

by Eric Flint and David Drake

read by Franklin Pierson

"On the planet Hafardine, civilization must rediscover progress or collapse. Adrian, guided by disembodied electronic mentors from space, has brought gunpowder and steam power to the Kingdom of the Isles to break the stranglehold of the Empire. But he will have to avoid being killed by the suspicious king he serves, by the barbarians he must recruit, and even by his insanely vengeful brother." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2021.

V for Vendetta

DB135843 9 hours 26 minutes

by Steve Moore

read by Simon Vance

"Imagine a Britain stripped of democracy, a world of the not-too-distant future, in which freedom was not lost but surrendered willingly to a totalitarian regime that rose to power by exploiting the people's worst fears and most damning weaknesses. This is the setting for the parable of Evey, a young woman saved from death by a masked man calling himself V. Beguiling and dangerous, V ignites the fuse of revolution when he urges his fellow citizens to shed the blanket of tyranny and oppression that they have permitted themselves to be cloaked in. While those in power take steps to neutralize the threat, police pursue the mystery of V, unaware of the terrible truth that awaits them. But it is Evey who, with V as her enigmatic guide,

sets out on the painful path of deception and self-discovery, deconstruction and re-creation, vindication and vengeance.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2006.

A Short, Sharp Shock

DB135755 4 hours 19 minutes

by Kim Stanley Robinson

read by Richard Powers

“A man tumbles through wild surf, half drowned, to collapse on a moonlit beach. When he regains consciousness, he has no memory of who he is or where he came from. He knows only that the woman who washed ashore with him has disappeared sometime in the night, and that he has awakened in a surreal landscape of savage beauty — a mysterious watery world encircled by a thin spine of land. Aided by strange tribesmen, he will journey to the cove of the spine kings, a brutal race that has enslaved the woman and several of the tribesmen. That is only the beginning of his quest, as he struggles to find her identity in this wondrous and cruel land — and seeks out the woman whose hold on his imagination is both unfathomable and unshakable.” — From Goodreads. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2012.

Star Wars: Yoda; Dark Rendezvous

DB135634 11 hours 30 minutes

by Sean Stewart

read by Jonathan Davis

“A gripping Clone Wars-era adventure featuring a showdown between Grand Master Yoda and his former apprentice, the sinister Count Dooku. The savage Clone Wars have forced the Republic to the edge of collapse. During the height of the battle, one Jedi Knight escapes

the carnage to deliver a message to Yoda on Coruscant. It appears that Dooku wants peace and demands a rendezvous. Chances are slim that the treacherous Count is sincere but, with a million lives at stake, Yoda has no choice. The meeting will take place on Vjun, a planet steeped in evil. The challenge could not be more difficult. Can Yoda win back his once promising pupil from the dark side or will Count Dooku unleash his sinister forces against his former mentor? Either way, Yoda is sure of one thing: this battle will be one of the fiercest he’ll ever face.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2024.

The Chosen

DB135838 17 hours 35 minutes

by S.M. Stirling and David Drake

read by Franklin Pierson

“Planted by interstellar probes on hundreds of human-occupied worlds, the downloaded personalities of Raj Whitehall and the ancient battle computer known as Center work together for planetary unity. Their goal is to prepare those worlds for membership in the Second Federation of Man. But on one planet they do the opposite: on Visager they work to prevent unity. For on Visager a nation-state of vicious militarists is about to start the final war to unite their world — once that is accomplished and their technology has matured, they will turn outward, bringing their fatal racist infection to the stars. John Hosten is the son of a high general of the Chosen. Jeffrey Fair is the son of an admiral of the only nation on Visager that might be capable of halting the onslaught. Through a strange twist of

fate they have become as brothers united in their hatred of all that the Chosen hope to do. Only they — with the aid of the disembodied voices of their mentors from the stars — stand between eternal tyranny for their world and eternal war for the galaxy.” — From publisher.

Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2020.

Four Beheadings and a Funeral

DB135964 9 hours 23 minutes

by Eric Uglan

read by Neil Hellegers

“We join Montana, recently returned from an impromptu study abroad trip, a bit wiser, a bit broader in perspective, and a lot freaked out by the once-dead person who’s currently in his bedroom. Possible zombie sightings aside, he’s finally ready to take his job as Duke seriously. And just in time too — not only are the politics of the capital rapidly closing in on Montana’s little valley holding, but there are also goblins to negotiate with. Plus, that cult threatening to take the lives of his citizens. Montana will have to pull off the impossible — walk amongst the highest levels of Vuldranni society to influence world politics and slaughter a few goblins in the process.” — From publisher.

Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2020.

Spies and Espionage

Jack of Spies

DB135579 12 hours 35 minutes

by David Downing

read by Gildart Jackson

“It is 1913, and those who follow the news closely can see the world is teetering on the brink of war. Jack McColl, a Scottish car salesman with an uncanny ear for languages, has

always hoped to make a job for himself as a spy. As his sales calls take him from city to great city — Hong Kong to Shanghai to San Francisco to New York — he moonlights collecting intelligence for His Majesty’s Navy, but British espionage is in its infancy and Jack has nothing but a shoestring budget and the very tenuous protection of a boss in faraway London. He knows, though, that a geopolitical catastrophe is brewing, and now is both the moment to prove himself and the moment his country needs him most. Unfortunately, this is also the moment he begins to realize what his aspiration might cost him. He understands his life is at stake when activities in China suddenly escalate from innocent data-gathering and casual strolls along German military concessions to arrest warrants and knife attacks. Meanwhile, a sharp, vivacious American suffragette journalist has wiled her way deep into his affections, and it is not long before he realizes that her Irish American family might be embroiled in the Irish Republican movement Jack’s bosses are fighting against. How can he choose between his country and the woman he loves? And would he even be able to make such a choice without losing both?” — From publisher.

Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2014.

Suspense

The Secret Lives of Murderers’ Wives

DB135580 9 hours 15 minutes

by Elizabeth Arnott

read by Saskia Maarleveld

“A remarkable trio whose lives were cracked wide open by their husbands’ crimes unite to catch a serial killer

in this dazzlingly captivating novel. Beverley, Elsie, and Margot are not your average housewives. They are all wives of convicted serial killers. In sun-drenched California during the summer of 1966, the three women form an unlikely friendship after the discoveries of their husbands' brutal crimes. With their exes—some of California's most infamous convicted serial killers — dead or behind bars, they are attempting to forge a new future for themselves. Headstrong Beverley compulsively tries to maintain control of everything around her, all the while raising two children. Bookish Elsie fights day in and day out for the chance to make a name for herself in the newsroom, working around the men who sneer at her journalistic career goals. Glamorous Margot refuses to take anything seriously and devotes all her energy toward maintaining appearances that everything is fine — anything to quell her shame that her husband deceived her. They know people look at them and think only one thing: how could they not have known, when their husbands were right under their noses, committing horrific crimes? How much guilt is theirs to carry? And yet, when a string of killings hits the news, the three women — underestimated, overlooked, shrewd — decide to get to work. After all, who better to catch a killer than those who have shared their lives and homes with one? At once a riveting portrayal of shattered trust and a story of gripping suspense, *The Secret Lives of Murderers' Wives* is a testament to the intricacies of women's lives and how the deep bonds of female friendship can

empower, uplift, and lead us to endure.”
— From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Bloodlust

DB136083 12 hours 34 minutes

by Sandra Brown

read by Kyf Brewer

“Two years ago, Detective Mitch Haskell lost his wife to a vicious act of retribution. He has since attributed her murder to two men: Roland Malone and the unidentified mastermind of the crime known only as Oz. Obsessively vowing to avenge his late wife's murder, Mitch has been on a downward spiral until Detective John Bowie, his former best friend and now his boss, forces Mitch to get therapy to sort himself out. Dr. Dylan Reede is immediately empathetic to the pain she senses beneath Mitch's cavalier attitude and wisecracking. When it's revealed that Dylan might hold the key to bringing the murderers to justice, Mitch and Dylan's irresistible attraction to each other may not only compromise both of them professionally but place them in Oz's bullseye.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

The Cross

DB136042 4 hours 32 minutes

by Steve Cavanagh

read by Adam Sims

“Cross-examination isn't a war of words. It's not a legal battle. It's not about who shouts the hardest or loudest. Cross-examination is daylight robbery; you go in hard and fast, grab what you need, and get the hell out. Eddie Flynn, ex con-artist-turned-defense attorney, has an impossible choice to make. His client, the widow of a man who died

in a confrontation with a police officer, is seeking justice for her husband. The victim himself was accused of killing a man in a robbery gone wrong outside the St. Regis Hotel — his widow swears it's not true, and the story's not adding up to Flynn, either. But with his small and scrappy law firm on the brink of financial collapse, taking this to trial and losing could put them under for good. As Flynn digs deeper into the case, a complex web of deceit and corruption begins to emerge with farther-reaching implications than he ever imagined. After a whirlwind twenty-four hours chasing leads all throughout New York City, it all comes down to the cross-examination: will he risk his life to expose the truth?" — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

This Story Might Save Your Life

DB136160 10 hours 43 minutes

by Tiffany Crum

read by Sean Patrick Hopkins

"Benny Abbott and Joy Moore host one of the most beloved podcasts in the world. Each week, they delight listeners with a different 'against-all-odds' survival story, gleefully finding the weird, life-affirming humor in near-death experiences. Since their first episode on Joy's experience with severe narcolepsy, they've been the best friends everyone wants to befriend — and thanks to the meticulous management of Joy's husband Xander, they've built a lucrative empire. The problem is, their next survival story may be their own. When Benny arrives at Joy and Xander's one morning to record, he finds shattered glass and an empty house.

The one clue shedding light on the couple's disappearance is the incomplete, previously-unseen first draft of Joy's memoir. Benny is desperate to find them, even when the police soon zero in on him as their prime suspect. Millions of devoted listeners think they know the 'real' Benny and Joy. But as the hours tick by, and the odds seem increasingly stacked against Joy and Xander being found alive, not even the most devoted fans could guess the secrets their favorite famous BFFs have hidden from the world — and from each other." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Judge Stone

DB136049 11 hours 22 minutes

by Viola Davis and James Patterson

read by Viola Davis

"In Judge Mary Stone's courtroom, a person has to take a stand. In Union Springs, Alabama (population 3,314), Judge Mary Stone is a local celebrity. Born a farmer's daughter in a town where dogwoods bloom every spring and churches rise on every street corner, Judge Mary Stone holds her courtroom to the highest standard in the land. Do the right thing, or don't do it at all. Then she draws the biggest case Alabama has ever seen. Criminally, it's open-and-shut. Ethically, there is no middle ground. Essentially, it's a choice between life and death. As she fights to determine the wisest course, Judge Stone will make history — or die trying." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

The Hiding Season**DB135983** 10 hours 36 minutes

by Ava Glass

read by Sophie Amoss

“In this page-turning, atmospheric thriller, a broken woman’s new beginning is upended when she becomes the only witness to a deadly crime ... making her the next target. After a painful divorce, Maya Landry is in desperate need of a fresh start, which she finds deep in the Rocky Mountains of Montana.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

A Narrow Door**DB136088** 12 hours 55 minutes

by Joanne Harris

read by Alex Kingston

“An electrifying tale of psychological suspense and revenge at an elite boarding school where secrets run deep. Now I’m in charge, the gates are my gates. The rules are my rules. It’s an incendiary moment for St Oswald’s school. For the first time in its history, a headmistress is in power, the gates opening to girls. Rebecca Buckfast has spilled blood to reach this position. Barely forty, she is just starting to reap the harvest of her ambition. As the new regime takes on the old guard, the ground shifts. And with it, the remains of a body are discovered. But Rebecca is here to make her mark. She’ll bury the past so deep it will evade even her own memory, just like she has done before. After all ... You can’t keep a good woman down.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2022.

The Room in the Attic**DB134513** 10 hours 43 minutes

by T.M. Logan

read by Richard Armitage

“Adam and Jess move into a new house — a rambling Victorian villa at the very top of their price range — with their three young children. Before long Adam discovers a door hidden behind a fitted wardrobe, concealing a secret room ... Inside Adam discovers a collection of forgotten items: a wallet, an expensive watch and an old mobile phone. Jess thinks they should simply throw them away. But Adam resists. He is fascinated by these items and how they came to be inside the hidden room. But like the house, Adam has his secrets too. And soon he will find himself setting in motion a series of events that will place his family in terrible danger.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Red Empire**DB136054** 20 hours 44 minutes

by Jonathan Maberry

read by Ray Porter

“Hundreds of years after the first waves of the bubonic plague swept through Europe, a new, more dangerous version threatens London. Joe Ledger’s old enemy the Red Empire — reborn as a far more powerful political and military group — has bioengineered a weaponized version of yersinia pestis — the bacteria responsible for The Black Death that killed tens of millions in the Middle Ages. As Joe Ledger and Rogue Team International race against the clock to put a stop to the Red Empire’s plans, they’re sucked into the strange and mysterious past of the man called Mr. Church. Secrets come to light that make even his staunchest allies wonder who

— and more precisely what — Church really is. With whispers of an elixir vitae — or elixir of life — circling, Joe Ledger and Rogue Team International are facing the highest possible stakes in their work together yet. As the tension builds and the balance between life and death sways precariously, it seems like tragic losses among them might be inevitable.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

It Should Have Been You

DB134475 9 hours 10 minutes

by Andrea Mara

read by Jessica Regan

“A suburban neighborhood starts to spiral when one text message causes a nasty chain reaction with horrifying consequences. You press send and your message disappears. Full of secrets about your neighbors, it’s meant for your sister. But it doesn’t reach her — it goes to the entire local community WhatsApp group instead. As rumor spreads like wildfire through the picture-perfect neighborhood, you convince yourself that people will move on, that this will quickly be forgotten. But then you receive the first death threat. The next day, a woman has been murdered. And what’s even more chilling is that she had the same address as you — 26 Oakpark — but in a different part of town. Did the killer get the wrong house? It won’t be long before you find out ...” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

The Girls Before

DB135814 10 hours 12 minutes

by Kate Alice Marshall

read by Ina Barrón

“There is a girl in a basement. The door has stopped opening. The light is gone. Stranger is trapped in the dark, with only her imagination and the scribbles on the wall left by long-dead girls to keep her company. Nearly out of food and water, she makes one last attempt to escape. But if the door opens at last, will it mean salvation, or only the beginning of her fight to survive? Audrey is a search and rescue expert who never stopped looking for her ex-best friend, Janie, who disappeared when they were teenagers. Janie used to love the local legend of a forest witch who saves girls from bad men, but Audrey knows now that for every one saved, there’s always another one lost. When she stumbles upon evidence in the forest that a teenage runaway might have actually been kidnapped from land belonging to the town’s most prominent family, she will have to dig through decades of secrets to reveal the biggest one of all: what happened to the girls before.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Dear Debbie

DB135559 7 hours 44 minutes

by Freida McFadden

read by January LaVoy

“Sometimes, enough is enough ... Debbie Mullen is losing it. For years, she has compiled all of her best advice into her column, Dear Debbie, where the wives of New England come for sympathy and neighborly advice. Through her work, Debbie has heard from countless women who are ignored, belittled, or even abused by their husbands. And Debbie does her best to guide them in

the right direction. Or at least, she did. These days, Debbie's life seems to be spiraling out of control. She just lost her job. Something strange is happening with her teenage daughters. And her husband is keeping secrets, according to the tracking app she installed on his phone. Now, Debbie's done being the bigger person. She's done being reasonable and practical. It's time to take her own advice. And now it's time for payback against all the people in her life who deserve it the most." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. Bestseller. 2026.

Code Blue

DB135746 9 hours 28 minutes
by Fern Michaels
read by Loral Merlington
"The Sisterhood: a group of women from all walks of life bound by friendship and years of adventure. Armed with vast resources, top-notch expertise, and a loyal network of allies around the globe, the Sisterhood will not rest until every wrong is made right. Theresa Gallagher has never met her Aunt Dottie, though she remembers her mother's stories about the wild sister who left home at seventeen. When a letter arrives from one of Dottie's neighbors, telling Theresa that her aunt is now incapacitated and in a nursing home, Theresa decides to fly out to Arizona to see her. The staff at the Sunnydale Care Facility seem pleasant and efficient, but Theresa finds it strange that she's only permitted to 'observe' her elderly aunt from a viewing room. It's the first of several red flags that lead Theresa to start asking questions. Is it just coincidence that as soon as

she does, her car is almost run off the road? Theresa contacts her attorney friend, Lizzie Fox, who just happens to be connected to a group of women uniquely posed to get answers. Soon the Sisterhood is on the case, uncovering evidence that at Sunnydale centers all over the country, seniors are mistreated, duped, and drained of their savings. But no one is beyond justice — not when the Sisterhood's extraordinary women are involved, making wrongs right as only they can ... " — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

Don't Go Down There

DB135560 4 hours 36 minutes
by Kiersten Modglin
read by Natalie Naudus
"When Andi Edwards discovers her husband Spencer isn't where he's supposed to be and isn't answering her calls or texts, a flurry of scenarios races through her mind. Is he hurt? Is he cheating? Is he dead? The truth, she soon finds out, is so much worse than she could've imagined. As she struggles to make sense of her new and chilling reality, she must decide whether to stand by the man she loves and help protect him or walk away and let him pay for his sins. With time running out, the secret he has locked in their basement becomes more dangerous, and the spine-chilling truth becomes clear: if she makes the wrong decision, she stands to lose much more than her marriage. When their best laid plans come back to haunt them, what will Spencer and Andi be willing to sacrifice to survive?" — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2023.

Lying in Wait

DB136202 8 hours 37 minutes

by Liz Nugent

read by Caoilfhionn Dunne

“My husband did not mean to kill Annie Doyle, but the lying tramp deserved it. On the surface, Lydia Fitzsimons has the perfect life — wife of a respected, successful judge, mother to a beloved son, mistress of a beautiful house in Dublin. That beautiful house, however, holds a secret. And when Lydia’s son, Laurence, discovers its secret, wheels are set in motion that lead to an increasingly claustrophobic and devastatingly dark climax.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2018.

The Dark Time

DB136043 12 hours 13 minutes

by Nicholas Petrie

read by Stephen Mendel

“Katelyn Thorsen, known as KT to her friends, is an independent journalist tracking down the story of her career — a group of white nationalists who have infiltrated the local political culture of the Pacific Northwest. But these are not people to be trifled with and the story of her career may quickly turn out to be the last story of her life. Fortunately, Peter Ash has arrived in town to look out for KT at the request of his girlfriend, June Cassidy. From the moment of his arrival, he’s thrown into a maelstrom of violence trying to protect KT and her daughter. Peter’s a man who’s always risen to every challenge, but this one may be too much for even him.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

The Clinic

DB134509 13 hours 17 minutes

by Cate Quinn

read by Kate Handford

“Meg works for a casino in LA, catching cheaters and popping a few too many pain pills to cope, following a far different path than her sister Haley, a famous actress. But suddenly reports surface of Haley dying at the remote rehab facility where she had been forced to go to get her addictions under control. There are whispers of suicide, but Meg can’t believe it. She decides that the best way to find out what happened to her sister is to check in herself — to investigate what really happened from the inside. Battling her own addictions and figuring out the truth will be much more difficult than she imagined, far away from friends, family — and anyone who could help her.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2024.

The Wrong Daughter

DB134631 12 hours 48 minutes

by Dandy Smith

read by Daphne Kouma

“The phone starts vibrating in my hand. It’s my father. He never calls. Pulse racing, I sit up in bed and answer. ‘Caitlin,’ he says. ‘You need to come to the house. Right now. It’s Olivia. She’s back.’ On the night when Caitlin and Olivia’s parents leave them to go to a dinner party, both girls are full of excitement about finally being old enough to stay home alone. What they don’t see is the figure watching them through the open window. Who, after the girls have fallen asleep, will turn the handle of the unlocked back door.

When their parents return, they will find Olivia's bed empty. Their eldest daughter gone. Never to return. Until now. But is the woman who claims to be Olivia all she seems? Is everything Caitlin said she saw that night the whole truth? Their family have dreamed of this moment, but both sisters are keeping more than one secret. What price will they all pay if they end up believing the wrong daughter?" — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2024.

Cold Zero

DB136084 10 hours 27 minutes
by Brad Thor and Ward Larsen
read by Armand Schultz
"A vanished plane. An earth-shattering secret. A countdown to World War III. Hemisphere Airlines Flight 777 — the most advanced jetliner ever built — disappears without a trace over the North Pole. Crippled by sabotage, it crash-lands on the ice, stranding the surviving passengers in a wasteland of frigid cold and chaos. The real storm, however, is still coming. Hidden inside the wreckage is the prototype for a revolutionary piece of technology that could upend the balance of world power. Now Washington, Moscow, and Beijing are racing to be the first on scene to retrieve it — at any cost. Trapped in the middle of the world's most dangerous flashpoint are CIA operative Kasey Sheridan and former fighter pilot turned first officer, Brett Sharpe. Hunted by enemy forces, they must spirit both the device and its creator across the ice to safety — before rival superpowers turn the Arctic into a war zone. With the clock ticking and the temperature dropping, the fate of the free

world is about to be decided at the top of the globe." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Westerns

Derringer

DB135250 9 hours 47 minutes
by William W. Johnstone
and J. A. Johnstone
read by Danny Campbell
"On the Fourth of July in 1867, the Union Pacific Railroad announced plans to expand their line into the remote mountains of Dakota Territory. They chose a site near Crow Creek Crossing to be their headquarters and named it Cheyenne. Almost immediately, new residents began to arrive: dreamers and schemers, drifters and grifters, good folks and bad. The owners of Union Pacific knew there'd be problems. Between settling disputes, laying down tracks, and keeping the peace, they'd need a troubleshooter. A reliable man of steely resolve. A concealed weapon ... His name is Derringer. Like the gun. Arriving by cattle car with two of his beloved horses, Jesse Derringer is not your typical railroad employee. With the eyes of a scout, he looks for trouble before it becomes a problem for the construction crews — and sometimes starts trouble himself. Usually he handles hot-tempered troublemakers with a cool head and steady hand. But then there are problems that are more complicated and it's Derringer's job to defuse them — before they ignite a full-blown bloodbath. Jesse Derringer is about to learn the true definition of troubleshooting." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

A Heap of Killing

DB135394 6 hours 16 minutes

by Robert Vaughan

read by Michael Butler Murray

“First introduced in Vaughan’s A

Rambling Man, Lucas Cain is back in the saddle, searching for some peace of mind and some solace after the loss of his wife and newborn child. He has continued his traveling from town to town, an itinerant lawman focused on capturing the bad guys for whatever amount is on the wanted papers for them. Local sheriffs and marshals, though initially wary of him, come to love him because of what he does without pay — other than the reward money. Cain finds himself in some tough spots but always manages to stay one step — and one fast bullet — ahead of the outlaws he seeks. Dudley Stewart and his gang just might be the ones to stop that, though ... On a lazy crime spree throughout the southwest, Stewart and his renegades have, up to now, been cutting a path of death, destruction, and loss through many a town ... until Lucas Cain gets wind of their actions and gets it into his head to end the reign of terror with a hail of bullets ...” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2023.

Women's Fiction

The Summer We Met

DB136072 11 hours 1 minute

by Hope Holloway and Cecelia Scott

read by Leslie Howard

“Seven summers. Two families. One beach house. And a diary that holds all the secrets. Thirty years ago, two families shared seven magical summers together, vacationing in a shared beach

house on the white sands of Destin, Florida. For three months every year, they basked in laughter, love, and endless beachside until a mysterious falling out ended those sun-soaked summers, leaving the families estranged for decades. When that very house — newly renovated and twice the original size — goes up for sale, it sparks an unexpected reunion among the five adults who’d spent their teenage summers there. Now navigating their forties and fifties, this group of sisters and friends decide to share the beach house for one more summer, hoping to recapture the joy of those sunlit years and create new memories. Returning to Destin rekindles emotional fires and launches personal transformations. Old crushes deepen to love, childhood friendships grow and mature, and the enduring power of sisterhood is tested. But the discovery of long-lost diaries that chronicle those seven summers of decades ago puts everything at risk again. Forced to face the truth of their past, these families must join forces to protect what they’ve or let love sail away for good. Can their lifelong relationships, shared memories, and newfound connections be enough to mend what was or will old wounds drive these families apart once again? The Summer We Met captures the spirit of summers gone by and the promise of second chances, set against the backdrop of the beautiful white sands of Destin.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

Adult Nonfiction

Biography

A Long Way Home

DB135837 7 hours 31 minutes

by Saroo Brierley

and Larry Buttrose

read by Vikas Adam

“When Saroo Brierley used Google Earth to find his long-lost home town half a world away, he made global headlines. Saroo had become lost on a train in India at the age of five. Not knowing the name of his family or where he was from, he survived for weeks on the streets of Kolkata, before being taken into an orphanage and adopted by a couple in Australia. Despite being happy in his new family, Saroo always wondered about his origins. He spent hours staring at the map of India on his bedroom wall. When he was a young man the advent of Google Earth led him to pore over satellite images of the country for landmarks he recognised. And one day, after years of searching, he miraculously found what he was looking for. Then he set off on a journey to find his mother.” — From Goodreads. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2014.

Strangers: A Memoir of Marriage

DB134870 7 hours 8 minutes

by Belle Burden

read by Belle Burden

“In March 2020, Belle Burden was safe and secure with her family at their house on Martha’s Vineyard, navigating the early days of the pandemic together — building fires in the late afternoons, drinking whisky sours, making roast chicken. Then, with no warning or explanation, her husband of twenty

years announced that he was leaving her. Overnight, her caring, steady partner became a man she hardly recognized. He exited his life with her like an actor shrugging off a costume. In *Strangers*, Burden revisits her marriage, searching for clues that her husband was not who she always thought he was. As she examines her relationship through a new lens, she reckons with her own family history and the lessons she intuited about how a woman is expected to behave in the face of betrayal. Through all of it, she is transformed. The discreet, compliant woman she once was — someone nicknamed ‘Belle the Good’ — gives way to someone braver, someone determined to use her voice. With unflinching honesty and profound grace, Burden charts a path through heartbreak to show the power of a woman who refuses to give up on love.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

How to Cook a Coyote: The Joy of Old Age

DB135644 3 hours 31 minutes

by Betty Harper Fussell

read by Kristin Allison

“From telling what it’s like to go blind to confronting the ongoing erosion of time and the mystery of what’s to come, *How to Cook a Coyote* recounts a decade of change as the celebrated food writer and critic Betty Fussell moves from Manhattan to the Montecito retirement community where Julia Child once resided. As Fussell recalls family, friends, enemies, and lovers with wry humor, affection, and a sharp-eyed confrontation with morality, all the

while the coyote watches. An emblem of the wild and her metaphor for all the things one can't control, this coyote stalks her, taking on greater emotional and metaphorical resonance as the day progresses. Ultimately, this exciting new work from an incomparable voice in American writing provides a recipe for how to enjoy each moment as if it were the last day of your life." — From publisher. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2025.

We the Women: The Hidden Heroes Who Shaped America

DB136239 10 hours 41 minutes
by Norah O'Donnell and Kate Andersen Brower
read by Norah O'Donnell
"Over a decades-long, distinguished career ... journalist Norah O'Donnell has made it her mission to shed light on untold women's stories. Now, in honor of America's 250th birthday, O'Donnell focuses that passion on the American heroines who helped change the course of history. Through extensive research and interviews, as well as historical documents and old photos, O'Donnell curates a ... portrait of these fierce fighters for freedom. From Mary Katherine Goddard, who printed the first signed Declaration of Independence, to the Forten family women, who were active in the abolition and suffrage movements and were considered the 'Black Founders' of Philadelphia, to the first women who served in the armed forces even before they had the right to vote, O'Donnell brings these extraordinary women together for the first time, and in doing

so writes the American story anew." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. Bestseller. 2026.

The Two FBIs: The Bravery and Betrayal I Saw in My Time at the Bureau

DB136071 10 hours 11 minutes
by Nicole Parker
read by Nicole Parker
"Two of Nicole Parker's colleagues were murdered while executing a search warrant on a dangerous suspect with no SWAT support. Meanwhile, the FBI sent SWAT for those charged with January 6 misdemeanors. Special Agent Parker witnessed an internal war between what she refers to as the two FBIs - 'FBI 1' and 'FBI 2.' While FBI 1 was comprised of honest, unbiased employees dedicated to keeping all Americans safe, FBI 2 used their law enforcement power to push their personal political and social agendas. Lowering hiring standards, unequally enforcing laws, and aggressively going after perceived political or social enemies became commonplace, and it seemed unstoppable. Through the lens of her life story, Parker chronicles the takeover of the bureau. The Two FBIs tells how Parker left her job in finance to serve her country. Her faith carried her through as she stared evil in the face on a daily basis while investigating the most heinous crimes. Over time, FBI 2 seemed to be winning the battles, but Parker was adamant it would not win the war. After over a dozen years of service, she chose to leave the Bureau. FBI 1 warriors believe drastic changes and accountability are necessary in order to return the FBI to its greatness and restore

the trust of the American people.” —
From publisher. Unrated. Commercial
audiobook. 2025.

**Cosmos Confidential: Bill & Neil’s
Excellent Bromance**

DB136303 4 hours 50 minutes

by William Shatner and Neil deGrasse
Tyson

read by William Shatner

“Experience an unscripted conversation between two icons who have indelibly shaped our culture’s view of space. Where do you go to let your curiosity fly? The backyard, of course. The setting for this audio original program is the backyard of William Shatner’s Los Angeles home, where he and Neil deGrasse Tyson enjoy a powerful, open-hearted conversation steeped in wonder. Having become fast friends and verbal sparring partners, the two men discuss the quest for knowledge that has driven human exploration and discovery over centuries, drawing from historical and contemporary examples. They discuss their efforts to overcome societal biases, Shatner’s as a Jewish kid growing up in Montreal, Canada and Tyson’s as a Black kid from the Bronx. They also share stories of how and when their individual futures took flight: Shatner’s path leading to Star Trek and a long career in film and television, and Tyson’s path to becoming a globally recognized astrophysicist, author, and science communicator. Of course, they also go deep on topics of great interest to them both, including black holes, the behavior of light, quantum physics, the beauty and complexity of the universe, and even spirituality. Presented with an

undercurrent of humor and a passion for learning, *Cosmos Confidential* is an entertaining and enlightening journey of the mind. If you’ve ever wondered what two titans of space culture talk about when nobody else is around, here’s your answer.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

**Under Siege: My Family’s Fight to Save
Our Nation**

DB133911 8 hours 24 minutes

by Eric Trump

read by Eric Trump

“In this eye-opening memoir, Eric Trump relays surprising and gripping moments throughout his life and career as part of America’s most powerful family. From his earliest memories of growing up as part of the Trump family to pivotal roles in the 2016 and 2024 presidential elections, spearheading strategies to combat lawfare, and leading the Trump Organization, Eric has been deeply invested in all aspects of his family’s legacy. As one of his father’s original apprentices, Eric has always strived to build on that foundation. As the Executive Vice President of the Trump Organization since 2015, Eric has navigated the dual worlds of politics and business, growing the company, while battling unprecedented opposition from the media, Democrats, and ongoing legal challenges. From raids on his childhood home, Mar-a-Lago, to near assassination attempts, from Russiagate to cold and corrupt court rooms, the fake news media, censorship, and character smears — this wasn’t just an attack on a president, or even his family. America itself was under siege.

In this book, Eric offers an unfiltered look at the highs and lows of life in the Trump world; how he took the reins of a multibillion-dollar empire at thirty-three years old; enlightening stories from real estate to the boardroom of The Celebrity Apprentice, and the chaos of the campaign trail.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. Bestseller. 2025.

Blindness and Disabilities**Windows Screen Reader Primer: Third Edition**

DB121117 34 hours 31 minutes
by David Kingsbury
read by Dwayne Glapion
“The third edition of The Windows Screen Reader Primer: All the Basics and More is now out ... It is authored by David Kingsbury, an Assistive Technology Instructor at the Carroll Center for the Blind. The book is meant to help beginning and intermediate JAWS, NVDA, and Windows Narrator users work more effectively with the most important PC applications — like Microsoft Office, email clients, and web browsers. These applications include the Windows operating system, the four primary Office Suite applications (Word, Outlook, Excel and PowerPoint), and the three most commonly used web browsers (Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge, and Mozilla Firefox). Dropbox, OneDrive, and Google Drive for Desktop, the three most popular cloud-based file-sharing programs, are also covered. So too is Adobe Acrobat Reader for accessing PDF files. And participating in, scheduling, and hosting Zoom meetings. Appendices include a list of

keystrokes, a glossary with over 100 definitions of computer-related terms, academic style guide requirements for formatting Word documents, and a set of practice exercises. New topics since the second edition include a chapter on using the most popular Google Workspace applications, an introduction to artificial intelligence (AI), and audio and video editing.” — From publisher. 2024.

Career and Job Training**Gravitas: Timeless Skills to Communicate with Confidence and Build Trust**

DB132515 6 hours 23 minutes
by Louise Mahler
read by Bill Wallace
“Boost your confidence and transform your speaking skills with wisdom from the ancients. What does the word ‘gravitas’ mean today? In the world of ancient Rome, it was the manner of trust and respect cultivated by capable, strong leadership. In Gravitas: Timeless Skills to Communicate with Confidence and Build Trust, communications expert Louise Mahler shows how this ancient virtue can help you rethink modern communication and transform your presence and impact as a leader today. Gravitas unpacks the essential speaking skills, strategies and techniques that great leaders use to communicate effectively. This book reveals the ways and means that were essential two thousand years ago and remain essential today. You’ll learn how to better connect with your audience and persuade them to trust in you and your ideas. From the wisdom of ancient leaders such as Cicero and Quintilian, you’ll discover powerful frameworks for mindset and the critical

skills of delivery. Harness your posture, your eyes, your voice, your gestures and even your breathing for maximum impact, whether you're in a one-on-one meeting or engaging a large crowd." — From Amazon. 2024.

Cooking

Herbs in Every Season

DB133093 8 hours 18 minutes

by Bevin Cohen

read by Vaan Solis

"An accessible exploration of how herbs can be used for medicinal and culinary purposes year-round, from gardening to cooking — you'll learn how to use herbs in a myriad of life-changing ways. Herbs in Every Season offers gardeners, herbalists, cooks, and homesteaders a new way of looking at herbs throughout the year. Herbalists will learn how an herb's growth habits inform its medicinal capabilities, and gardeners will gain insight on herbs as integral culinary plants for the kitchen garden, pollinator plants for perennial borders, and key ingredients for a home apothecary. With detailed plant profiles, Bevin Cohen encourages a year-round perspective on growing and using herbs in tandem with the seasons. He assures any newcomer that herbs are not only easy to grow but also forgiving. Readers will take delight in: simple, homegrown recipes and preservation techniques for tonics, teas, meals, and treats; herbal remedies and useful DIY applications for common ailments such as sunburns and mosquito bites; deep insight on how the life cycle of an herb contributes to its medicinal and culinary properties; and how a seasonal herbal approach

can provide a much-needed process of cyclical re-connection to the earth. Start a new seasonal routine today with Herbs in Every Season!" — From publisher. 2025.

Crime

The Best True Crime Stories of the Year 2025

DB135558 9 hours 32 minutes

edited by Douglas J. Preston

and Peter Crooks

read by Perry Daniels

"This inaugural edition of what will be a yearly collection offers a fascinating variety of essays and crime reporting, taken from regional, national, and international publications. The stories range from reports of homicide at a Toronto massage parlor to blackmail and murder-for-hire in Austin, Texas, to an unusual murder weapon in rural Minnesota. Other stories examine controversial rehabilitation techniques for sexual criminals and explore the phenomenon of victims' relatives appearing as guests at true crime conventions." — From publisher.

Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

Drama and Theater

Much Ado About Nothing: A BBC Radio Shakespeare Production

DB134778 2 hours 16 minutes

by William Shakespeare

read by Samantha Spiro

"In this BBC full-cast production of Much Ado About Nothing, some handsome soldiers return from battle. Yet one soldier finds himself locked in a merry war of his own...

In Shakespeare's comedy of wit, love and miscommunication, Beatrice and

Benedick and Hero and Claudio are pushed into and pulled out of love, their friends playing cupid with life-changing consequences. David Tennant and Samantha Spiro star as the famous sparring partners Benedick and Beatrice, with Chiwetel Ejiofor and Emilia Fox as Claudio and Hero. The supporting cast includes Maxine Peake and Julian Rhind-Tutt. BBC radio has a unique heritage when it comes to Shakespeare. Since 1923, when the newly-formed company broadcast its first full-length play, generations of actors and producers have honed and perfected the craft of making Shakespeare to be heard. In this acclaimed BBC Radio Shakespeare series, each play is introduced by Richard Eyre, former Director of the Royal National Theatre. Revitalised, original and comprehensive, this is Shakespeare for the modern day.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2004.

Education

Campus Battlefield: How Conservatives Can Win the Battle on Campus and Why It Matters

DB133107 4 hours 31 minutes

by Charlie Kirk and Donald Trump
read by Bill Wallace

“The Campus Battlefield takes that fight to our nation’s college campuses, where the left’s decades-long campaign to transform our universities into radical re-education camps is working, and now we are seeing the disastrous results. Free speech, intellectually rigorous debate, and the simple concepts of tolerance and fairness are routinely being corrupted and weaponized to promote radical leftist

ideologies, enforce groupthink, and marginalize or eliminate any student, professor, and dean who gets in their way. All the while, these hothouses of close-mindedness are staffed by blame-America, anti-free market, victimology professors who are twisting the minds of tomorrow’s leaders.” — From publisher. 2018.

Government and Politics

Shakespeare in a Divided America

DB135793 9 hours 15 minutes

by James Shapiro

read by Fred Sanders

“The plays of William Shakespeare are rare common ground in the United States. They are read at school by almost every student, staged in theaters across the land, and long valued by conservatives and liberals alike. For well over two centuries, Americans of all stripes — presidents and activists, writers and soldiers — have turned to Shakespeare’s works to explore the nation’s fault lines, including such issues as manifest destiny, race, gender, immigration, and free speech. In a narrative arching across the centuries, from Revolutionary times to the present day, leading scholar James Shapiro traces the unparalleled role of Shakespeare’s four-hundred-year-old tragedies and comedies in illuminating the many concerns on which American identity has turned. Reflecting on how Shakespeare has been invoked — and at times weaponized — at pivotal moments in our past, Shapiro takes us from President John Quincy Adams’s disgust with Desdemona’s interracial marriage to Othello, to Abraham Lincoln’s and his

assassin John Wilkes Booth's competing obsessions with the plays, up through the fraught debates over marriage and same-sex love at the heart of the celebrated adaptations *Kiss Me, Kate* and *Shakespeare in Love*. His narrative culminates in the 2017 controversy over the staging of *Julius Caesar* in Central Park, in which a Trump-like leader is assassinated. Deeply researched, and timely, *Shakespeare in a Divided America* reveals how no writer has been more closely embraced by Americans or has shed more light on the hot-button issues in our history. Indeed, it is by better understanding Shakespeare's role in American life, Shapiro argues, that we might begin to mend our bitterly divided land." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2020.

Where We Keep the Light

DB135629 8 hours 38 minutes

by Josh Shapiro

read by Josh Shapiro

"Where We Keep the Light is the story of public service and personal faith. From an early age, Josh Shapiro learned and practiced the power of showing up, listening, and executing, to make people's lives a little better. In the pages of this account of his life, Shapiro relates powerful stories about his family, his faith, and what matters to Americans tired of all the divisiveness and distrust in our leaders. Reflecting on what he's learned by knocking on doors, serving his community, and tackling the tough problems that no one wanted to touch in new and different ways, Shapiro reminds us that government can be a force for good, that conventional wisdom is

rarely wise, and there's more that unites Americans than divides us. Shapiro is answering a call to service at a time when we need leaders like him to step up. *Where We Keep the Light* is a must-read account of his life and what lies ahead." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. Bestseller. 2026.

Medicine and Health

Mayo Clinic A to Z Health Guide

DB133358 14 hours 35 minutes

edited by Sanjeev Nanda

read by Mark Ashby

"A browsable, illustrated one-stop shop for reliable, updated information on the signs, symptoms, tests, treatment and prevention of many common health conditions, from hiccups to cancer." — From publisher. 2023.

Music

Backbeats: A History of Rock and Roll in Fifteen Drummers

DB135740 7 hours 36 minutes

by John Ligan

read by Eric Yang

"Rock and roll thrives on rhythm, but the drummers who drive that pulse often stay in the shadows. In *Backbeats*, acclaimed music historian John Ligan brings these unsung heroes into the spotlight, delivering a fascinating journey through six decades of rock history. Ligan's deep research and vivid storytelling explores the lives of fifteen pathbreaking drummers and their fellow timekeepers — men and women who together laid down the beat of an era. From Bernard Purdie's legendary work with Aretha Franklin to Dave Grohl's funk- and punk-indebted swing for Nirvana, these drummers redefined what was possible

in pop music. Iconic figures like Ringo Starr, whose inventive style transformed the Beatles, and Charlie Watts, the steady backbone of the Rolling Stones, take center stage. But Langan doesn't stop there — he also shines a light on groundbreaking, underappreciated talents like Maureen Tucker of The Velvet Underground, whose minimalist beats rewrote the rulebook, and Sam Lay, a pivotal figure in rock's evolution from the blues. Packed with insider stories and exclusive interviews — from Robert Plant's reflections on Led Zeppelin's legendary sessions to superstar recording engineer Steve Albini's behind-the-scenes accounts — *Backbeats* offers an eye-opening glimpse into some of rock's most unforgettable moments, including the seismic shift of Dylan going electric at Newport, James Brown's explosive creation of funk in the late sixties, and the birth of LA thrash metal in the early eighties. More than just a tribute to an unrecognized group of virtuosos, this book is a love letter to the art of drumming itself. *Backbeats* shows how these remarkable artists not only kept the beat but drove rock and roll forward. It's a must-read for any music lover, offering a fresh and thrilling perspective on a story we only thought we knew." — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

Ain't No Sunshine: The Smooth Soul and Rough Edges of Bill Withers

DB135972 9 hours 57 minutes

by Mark Ribowsky

read by Beresford Bennett

"The first biography of Bill Withers, the most accidental music supernova,

who walked away from fame and never looked back. Bill Withers entered the music fray as hardly an afterthought, rewrote the rules for a decade, earned a fortune, then, unable to square himself with the requisites of the music business, took his leave. When he died in 2019 at eighty-one, he was every bit the mystery he was when he started. Born and raised in Slab Fork, West Virginia — his father a coal miner, his childhood spent in a pit of racism, and a shy kid who was asthmatic and stuttered — Withers had every reason to say, 'People ask what are the blues. Hell, I was the blues!' His adulthood was spent running away from Slab Fork as a navy enlistee who worked military-related jobs, including making toilets for 747s. Music was a fantasy, ruled by unscrupulous brokers whom he thought he would never be able to live easily with. When he sang of calling on a 'lonely brother' in 'Lean on Me,' his biggest hit and an astounding feast for the ears, few knew that he was singing about himself. He was the lonely brother, and the business whose audio rules he refashioned only made him lonelier. His songs were not riling, but easing and caressing the deepest of emotional clefts that bore the weight of the world and the reassurance of a better day on his shoulders-'Ain't No Sunshine,' 'Lean on Me,' 'Use Me,' 'Lovely Day,' 'Just the Two of Us' — as well as album cuts that leaped off the vinyl and helped form a coterie of evergreens among his fans. Yet he ruled in his precious fold of time-eight years in the sun-without as much as an agent, manager, lawyer, accountant, valet, or flunky. He was on his own in

every way. This is the craziest success story music has known—a whirlwind that didn't begin until Withers was in his thirties and carried on as if in neat slow-motion. Now, in this remarkable biography by acclaimed author Mark Ribowsky, Withers is brought to life in vivid detail, told with insights from those who knew him throughout his short but incredibly impactful career.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2023.

Nature and the Environment

Squirrel: How a Backyard Forager Shapes Our World

DB134540 8 hours 58 minutes
by Nancy F. Castaldo
read by Erin Jones
“In *Squirrel*, Nancy Castaldo shines new light on this familiar backyard mammal, exploring their staggering diversity (they're found on all continents but Antarctica) and the many surprising ways they shape our world, our communities, and our cultures. Each chapter explores an aspect of squirrels and their close and sometimes fraught association with humans: their importance to myriad ecosystems through sophisticated food-caching strategies; their introduction to nineteenth-century urban parks as adorable ambassadors for nature; their complicated global status as both invasive and endangered; their role as celebrated cultural icons and social media memes; and ultimately, why we must prevent population declines and protect their well-being while we can. Like other wildlife species, squirrels are increasingly stressed by

climate change, and their speculative fate may foreshadow our own. The book includes a detailed bibliography, an exhaustive list of squirrel species and their status, and tips for coexisting peaceably with squirrels in our yards and neighborhoods.” — From publisher. 2025.

Philosophy

Doing Good Better: How Effective Altruism Can Help You Make a Difference

DB135803 8 hours 7 minutes
by William MacAskill
read by James Rottger
“Almost all of us want to make a difference. So we volunteer, donate to charity, recycle or try to cut down our carbon emissions. But rarely do we know how much of a difference we're really making. In a remarkable re-examination of the evidence, *Doing Good Better* reveals why buying sweatshop-produced goods benefits the poor; why cosmetic surgeons can do more good than charity workers; and why giving to a relief fund is generally not the best way to help after a natural disaster. By examining the charities you give to, the volunteering you do, the goods you buy and the career you pursue, this fascinating and often surprising guide shows how through simple actions you can improve thousands of lives — including your own.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Psychology and Self-Help**Enough****DB135805** 8 hours 0 minutes

by Ania M. Jastreboff

and Oprah Winfrey

read by Ania M. Jastreboff

“For her entire adult life, Oprah Winfrey has struggled with her weight. She never thought in her lifetime, medicines would provide hope, health, and healing for people like her. But as her conversations with Dr. Ania Jastreboff from the Yale School of Medicine reveal, we’ve learned that having obesity is not a choice. It’s not a question of willpower. Obesity is a disease. It’s a question of biology, created by our bodies’ need to survive and the environment we created and now live in. And it’s treatable. The new medications can lower our body fat set point (our brain’s ‘Enough Point’), so that we lose weight without battling biology with willpower. Dr. Jastreboff describes strategies to optimize health and manage side effects all with the reassuring perspective of decades of experience treating patients with obesity and leading studies with these medications. Many of her patients say the ‘food noise’ that plagued them for years has evaporated. They describe a new freedom from intrusive, persistent, and disruptive thoughts about food. With treatment they begin a journey of healing with self-compassion, devoid of the shame and blame they’ve endured from society for decades. Oprah says she’s learned so much from Dr. Jastreboff about how, when it comes to weight, our bodies work with us — and against us. How each of our struggles are different

and each of our choices in living with obesity may also be different. Dr. Jastreboff’s groundbreaking research offers a new way forward, not only for obesity treatment, but also for overall health, with significant implications for the prevention and reversal of hundreds of related diseases. As she demonstrates in this book, when science meets empathy, real healing becomes possible. Yes, there is a path to healing and leading the life you have always wanted, when your brain is reassured that you have ‘enough.’” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. Bestseller. 2026.

Religion**Bible Prophecy: The Essentials****DB135864** 5 hours 0 minutes

by Amir Tsarfati and Barry Stagner

read by Amir Tsarfati

“The study of Bible prophecy can seem complicated or controversial, yet Christians still long to understand what God’s Word reveals about the future. Whenever authors Amir Tsarfati and Barry Stagner teach on the end times, the most popular part of their ministry is the question-and-answer session, revealing the church’s great hunger to know more about the last days. In Bible Prophecy: The Essentials, Amir and Barry pool their knowledge to answer some of their most commonly asked questions. Through succinct, Scripture-focused teachings, Amir and Barry address the seven biggest themes of Bible prophecy: Israel; the Church; the Rapture; the Tribulation; the Millennium; the Great White Throne of Judgment; Heaven. When studied with wisdom and discernment, God’s Word provides

all you need to know about what is to come. Amir and Barry’s thoughtful, informative, and user-friendly book is a resource you’ll return to again and again as you seek to prayerfully grow in your understanding of Bible prophecy.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2023.

Jesus Calling

DB136246 13 hours 54 minutes

by Sarah Young

read by Bill Russell

“These writings are based on Jesus’ own words of hope, guidance, and peace within Scripture — penned by one who loves Him and reveres His word. These much-loved devotions will help you look forward to your time with the Lord and experience a deeper relationship with Jesus as you savor the presence of the One who understands you perfectly and loves you forever. This powerful audio recording of Jesus Calling contains the words and Scriptures Jesus lovingly laid on Sarah’s heart. Words of reassurance, comfort, and hope. Words that have made her increasingly aware of His presence and allowed her to enjoy His peace. Be drawn into the Savior’s peaceful presence daily with this beautifully recorded audio devotional. Featuring multi-voice narration and musical scoring, these powerful daily words of inspiration will strengthen listeners’ spiritual lives. Also includes full scripture readings for each day in addition to guided reflection and prayer thoughts.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2016.

Science and Technology

True Color: The Strange and Spectacular Quest to Define Color, from Azure to Zinc Pink

DB136300 9 hours 26 minutes

by Kory Stamper

read by Kory Stamper

“An irresistibly wry, culturally rich exploration of color and how it shapes our world — from the leading lexicographer of our time.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Just Visiting This Planet: Merlin’s Tour of the Universe

DB135179 5 hours 38 minutes

by Neil deGrasse Tyson

read by Lauren Fortgang

“In this companion volume to Merlin’s Tour of the Universe, we visit again with Merlin, a timeless space traveler from Planet Omniscia, who answers a collection of imaginative questions about the cosmos from curious stargazers. Whether waxing poetic about Earth and its environs, the Sun and its stellar siblings, the world of light, physical laws, or galaxies near and far, Merlin’s remarks are engaging, humorous, and clear as a starry night sky. Merlin tackles such conundrums as: — If aliens exploded Earth’s moon, what effect would it have on us? — Are black holes gathering matter in preparation for another Big Bang in another time and dimension? — Why does the Moon look bigger on the horizon? Lively and entertaining, Just Visiting This Planet is an indispensable guidebook to the universe.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

Stage and Screen**You with the Sad Eyes****DB136075** 8 hours 32 minutes

by Christina Applegate

read by Christina Applegate

“Christina Applegate came of age on sets and stages, expected to be on time, with lines learned, ready for lights-camera-action. Performing began as a financial necessity and became an emotional escape from a tumultuous home life in the infamous Laurel Canyon scene of the 1970s and 80s. She first gained stardom as an audience favorite playing Kelly Bundy in the sitcom *Married ... with Children* and went on to captivate a vast fandom during her five-decade long career. In *You with the Sad Eyes*, Applegate will unveil the full story of her years in the public eye, and the painful moments the public didn’t see. She writes about gravitating to the grunge that defined the 90s and finding belonging in the legendary scene at The Viper Room; sparkling on set with fellow comedy icons in the soon to be canonized franchise *Anchorman*; sharing her love of dance in the Broadway revival of *Sweet Charity*; and returning to the Emmy stage to a standing ovation in 2024 after her diagnosis of MS. She’ll dive into the darker moments underpinning her outward success: her relationship with her mother who fought addiction and won, even in the wake of her father’s abandonment; the self-doubt and body dysmorphia that have dogged her from a young age; and the abuse and depression that eroded her health. Her path is ever lit though, by lifelong friends, chosen

family, and her experience as a mother. By working through her legacy on the page, Applegate invites readers to take her hand and hear a story not even those closest to her know fully. *You with the Sad Eyes* boldly presents a formidable and iconoclastic woman who has had to let go of her acting career, of her ability to dance, of her sense of physical power, but has always fought to find a new and even more fulfilling way of being. The pain will be matched by the joy, the losses mitigated by the extraordinary, the weight of life lifted by Applegate’s signature comedic genius. In her own words, ‘I truly believe that books can make people feel less alone. That’s why I’m doing this. *You with the Sad Eyes* won’t be some big violin scratching for my life. But it will be real. It will be filled with the ups and downs, the humor and grief of life. So here I am. Real me. Lots to say.’” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

Kids, Wait till You Hear This!**DB136214** 18 hours 0 minutesby Liza Minnelli and Michael Feinstein
read by Liza Minnelli

“Global icon Liza Minnelli shares her inspiring story: stepping out from the long shadow of a mega-star mother and legendary film director father, fighting a lifetime battle with addiction, and emerging from it all to become a once-in-a-lifetime artist. *Kids, Wait Till You Hear This!* is the autobiography of EGOT icon Liza Minnelli. This fascinating, untold story reveals the intimate truth of the only child born to Hollywood legends Vincente Minnelli and Judy Garland. For the first time,

here is Liza up close: Raw, strong, sexy, hilarious and heartbreaking. Liza decided at the age of 16 that ‘sympathy is my mother’s business. I give people joy.’ That veil of joy, however, masks a lifelong struggle with Substance Use Disorder (‘SUD,’ which Liza inherited from her mother’s branch of her family), boundless love to give and an equal need to receive it, broken marriages, multiple miscarriages, and hospitalizations — the highs and lows of unparalleled artistic success and lifelong friendships, as well as chronic anxiety and the threat of financial ruin. Despite every challenge, Liza’s is a life wrapped in laughter and her tremendous capacity to give and receive love. Today at nearly 80, she opens her heart, mind and memories, sharing secrets we never knew. Liza’s book celebrates supreme artistry and, more importantly, her human rights activism. ‘It’s time to tell the truth,’ Liza says, ‘and help people heal, as I have, one day at a time.’” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2026.

War

Code over Country: The Tragedy and Corruption of SEAL Team Six

DB136026 12 hours 14 minutes

by Matthew Cole

read by Braden Wright

“A hard-hitting exposé of SEAL Team 6, the US military’s best-known brand, that reveals how the Navy SEALs were formed, then sacrificed, in service of American empire. The Navy SEALs are, in the eyes of many Americans, the ultimate heroes. When they killed Osama Bin Laden in 2011, it was celebrated as a massive victory. Former SEALs rake

in cash as leadership consultants for corporations, and young military-bound men dream of serving in their ranks. But the SEALs have lost their bearings. Investigative journalist Matthew Cole tells the story of the most lauded unit, SEAL Team 6, revealing a troubling pattern of war crimes and the deep moral rot beneath authorized narratives. From their origins in World War II, the SEALs have trained to be specialized killers with short missions. As the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan became the endless War on Terror, their violence spiraled out of control. *Code Over Country* details the high-level decisions that unleashed the SEALs’ carnage and the coverups that prevented their crimes from coming to light. It is a necessary and rigorous investigation of the unchecked power of the military — and the harms enacted by and upon soldiers in America’s name.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2022.

World History

Ghosts of Hiroshima

DB135841 9 hours 3 minutes

by Charles R. Pellegrino

read by Martin Sheen

“This masterpiece of nonfiction arrives in time to honor the eightieth anniversary of the bomb dropping on Hiroshima. For all humanity, it was, literally and figuratively, childhood’s end. No one recognized the flashes of bright light that filled the sky. Survivors described colors they couldn’t name. The blast wave that followed seemed to strike with no sound. In that silence came the dawn of atomic death for two hundred thousand souls. On August 6, 1945, twenty-nine-year-old

naval engineer Tsutomu Yamaguchi was on the last day of a business trip, looking forward to returning home to his wife and infant son, when the bomb was dropped on Hiroshima. He survived the atomic blast and got on a train to Nagasaki, only to be bombed again. Jacob Beser, a Manhattan Project engineer, looked down on Hiroshima and saw the ground boiling. Years afterward, he referred to what he witnessed as ‘the most bizarre and spectacular two events in the history of man’s inhumanity to man.’ From that first millionth of a second, people began to die in previously unimaginable ways. Near Hiroshima’s hypocenter, teeth were scattered on the ground, speckles of incandescent blood were converted to carbon steel, a child’s marbles melted to blobs of molten glass. From the bombs were born radioactive substances that mimicked calcium in growing bones and which, ten years later, filled hospitals with a shocking truth: nuclear weapons, more than anything else, were child-killers. Based on years of forensic archaeology combined with interviews of more than two hundred survivors and their families, *Ghosts of Hiroshima* is a you-are-there account of ordinary human beings thrust into extraordinary events, during which our modern civilization entered its most challenging phase — a nuclear adolescence that, unless we are very wise and learn from our past, we may not survive.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2025.

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Children's Fiction

Adventure

Sam & Dave Dig a Hole

DB133821 0 hours 9 minutes

by Mac Barnett

read by Whitney McMaster

“With perfect pacing, the multi-award-winning, New York Times best-selling team of Mac Barnett and Jon Klassen

dig down for a deadpan tale full of visual humor. Sam and Dave are on a mission. A mission to find something spectacular. So they dig a hole. And they keep digging. And they find ... nothing. Yet the day turns out to be pretty spectacular after all. Attentive readers will be rewarded with a rare treasure in this witty story of looking for the extraordinary — and finding it in a manner you'd never expect.” — From WorldCat. Caldecott Medal Honor Book. For preschool-grade 2. 2014.

Wander Lost

DB135892 9 hours 3 minutes

by Laura Martin

read by Jesse Vilinsky

“Rhett and his brother, Nash, have never been allowed to play board games. It's their mom's most important rule; the twins don't know why, but they know not to push her on it. When their mom suddenly disappears, they're reunited with Ace, their long-lost grandfather, who reveals that their family is descended from a board game character who escaped his game and lived in the real world. Their family now has the ability to enter the world of any game they want — but this gift also comes with a price. A game character who's wanted revenge against their mom for decades has finally caught her and is holding her hostage in the world of a game. Which game? That's up to Rhett and Nash to figure out, even if it means breaking Mom's most important rule. But as they learn to use their newly discovered ability, exploring new worlds and facing new challenges and risks, the brothers quickly realize that saving Mom

won't be all fun and games. It's game on ... or game over." — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For grades 4-7. 2024.

Loki: A Bad God's Guide to Making Enemies

DB136035 3 hours 15 minutes

by Louie Stowell

read by Ben Willbond

"The fourth diary in the international bestselling series about the Norse god of tricks and mischief sent to Earth to learn how to be good. Loki made a fair few enemies during his time in Asgard. Too many to count and certainly too many to remember. When the elf Vinir beams Loki aboard his chariot and challenges him to a magical duel, Loki hasn't got a clue why. Sweet-talking his way out of a fight by pointing out there's little honor in dueling someone who can't remember how they wronged you, and even less in picking on a child, Loki is returned safely to school. That is, until Vinir shows up in child form, as resolute as ever about seeking that duel ... and vengeance." — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For grades 4-7. 2024.

Animals

Sleepy Sheepy and the Sheepover

DB135437 0 hours 7 minutes

by Lucy Ruth Cummins

read by Kristin Allison

"It's time for Sleepy Sheepy's very first sheepover! But when it's time for bed, Sleepy Sheepy CANNOT SLEEPY! You see, his blankets scratch, and his pj's don't match! Sleepy Sheepy...misses his home! Will Grammy and Grampy ever get their favorite little sheep to sleep?" — From Amazon. For preschool-grade 2. 2024.

Peppa Loves Doctors and Nurses

DB136241 0 hours 18 minutes

by Lauren Holowaty

read by Lauren Irwin

"Peppa loves doctors and nurses! In this adorable audiobook, she learns just what these heroes do. Based on the hit TV show, as seen on Nick Jr! Doctor Brown Bear and Nurse Fox visit Peppa's playgroup. They show the children how to be healthy, eat well, and wash their hands!" — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For preschool-grade 2. 2023.

Shibu's Tail

DB135615 0 hours 5 minutes

by Tess Thomas

read by Kurt Kanazawa

"A tale about a tail, and a cat with some VERY big feelings. Shibu the cat has a lot of feelings and thankfully his fluffy tail helps him express them all! But one day, Shibu realizes that all the other cats are keeping their feelings (and their tails) tucked away. Maybe it would be better to try and fit in?" — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For preschool-grade 2. 2025.

Family

Broken

DB135891 0 hours 7 minutes

by X. Fang

read by Zak Annette

"After Mei Mei breaks her ama's favorite cup, she fears her grandmother's anger and hides the truth. When the family cat Mimi is blamed instead, Mei Mei's guilt grows until she finally confesses, learning honesty is the best choice." — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For preschool-grade 2. 2025.

Goodbye, French Fry**DB135798** 3 hours 59 minutes

by Rin-rin Yu

read by Kailin Bateson

“Some days Ping-Ping feels like she just can’t win. She was born in the US, so it’s frustrating when people are surprised by how American she is, but her Chinese relatives feel she’s not Chinese enough. But the things bugging her the most lately are her classmate Lee Beaumont, who has taken to calling her ‘French Fry’ because of the tofu sticks she eats at lunch, and the possibility that her family will have to relocate to Kenya for her father’s UN job. Of all the things Ping-Ping loves, her home and best friend are at the top of the list, and she’d hate to have to leave them. What’s a girl to do when she can’t be in as much control as she’d like to be? Well, good thing Ping-Ping is a wiz at taekwondo — she’s learning how to kick her frustrations away, and there’s almost nothing she can’t master if she puts her mind to it. Rin-rin Yu has written a warm and funny family story that will have kids rooting for Ping-Ping — a girl who is ready to kick all the assumptions made about her aside!” — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For grades 4-7. 2026.

Fantasy**The Grim Adventure****DB135861** 5 hours 19 minutes

by Fern Forgettable and Piper CJ

read by Isuri Wijesundara

“Just before her thirteenth birthday, Rosemary and her friends return to Fern’s School for Wayward Fae, where she uncovers a sinister force threatening the school, with Death itself targeting

the students and their magical gifts.” — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For grades 4-7. 2025.

The Hollow Hills**DB135780** 8 hours 3 minutes

by Anna Kemp

read by Aysha Kala

“Nobody knows what lies inside the Knoll nor what form the Fae have taken after all these years ... join a quest of a lifetime to rescue Goblyn Wood from the fae, with a sequel to Into Goblyn Wood for fans of Nevermoor and Podkin One-Ear! Are you ready to enter Goblyn Wood ... ? When Hazel ventured into Goblyn Wood, she discovered that she was part fairy and the Fae have been hoarding magic. Now, on a mission to help the other fairies and rescue her friend Pete, she needs to travel to the Fae Dominion. No one has been inside for years but Hazel arrives there, it’s a glorious paradise and Pete is happy. Hazel is sure that something is wrong but soon begins to forget about her mission. And in the world outside, the threat to Goblyn Wood is increasing ... Can Hazel complete her mission and help bring balance back to Goblyn Wood?” — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For grades 3-6. 2023.

Into Goblyn Wood**DB135863** 7 hours 36 minutes

by Anna Kemp

read by Aysha Kala

“Fairies are real, but their power is waning ... Embark on the adventure of a lifetime and discover the magic of Goblyn Wood, with the first book in a major new fantasy series for fans of Nevermoor and Podkin One-Ear!

Are you ready to enter Goblyn Wood ... ? Hazel has always known she was different, but she doesn't know where she came from. When her best friend Pete is kidnapped by strange creatures, she must gather her courage and enter Goblyn Wood, a forest inhabited by fairies. But their magic is being drained away, and Hazel soon realises that her own power is the key to saving both Pete and her new friends. Embarking on an epic journey of discovery, can Hazel restore the balance of the fairy realm?" — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For grades 3-6. 2022.

Forever Rogue

DB135862 8 hours 34 minutes
by Lisa McMann
read by Jeremy Carlisle Parker
"In their latest mission battling the forces of a corrupt president, a group of supernatural kids work to restore the minds of the brainwashed citizens and reveal the truth about the stolen election." — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For grades 3-6. 2026.

Dr. Zeus

DB135777 4 hours 51 minutes
by James Patterson
and Christopher Tebbetts
read by Mark Sanderlin
"Nick Andino isn't exactly 'hero' material. He's perfectly happy working at his family's Greek diner, pining over his crush, and avoiding his bully. His life isn't very exciting ... until destiny comes calling. Dr. Zeus, the over-the-top king of the gods, zooms into town with a quest that Nick must complete to save Andinos past and present from being

erased from history. Accompanied by a fast-talking Hermes, Nick journeys back to ancient Greece, where his ancestors await — along with new friends and a whole host of Greek gods and monsters. Can Nick be the hero the Andinos need, or will his story be another Greek tragedy?" — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For grades 3-6. 2026.

Revenants Return

DB135255 6 hours 29 minutes
by James Riley
read by Alana Kerr Collins
"You were warned to stay away from THE DRAGON'S APPRENTICE. It was forbidden for a good reason, as it told the story of a village girl named Ciara finding her own book of magic and learning spells from a dragon of all things. These are dangerous ideas, and no one should be allowed to see them. Fortunately, Ciara's story didn't end there, or she might have doomed us all. No, thankfully, a true hero to the Draconic Empire, Prince Aiden, has come to Ciara's village to stop her and her teacher, Scorch the dragon. The prince, like his father the Emperor, is a powerful magic-user. And Aiden uses his power to keep us safe from strange, forbidden books. If anyone can stop Ciara from teaching others magic and therefore summoning the horrible Revenants that once defeated the Dragon Mage herself, it's the Empire's beloved prince. Let's just hope that Ciara can't spread her knowledge of magic before the prince can find her and put an end to her evil deeds once and for all." — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For grades 3-6. 2026.

Dragon Dreams**DB136034** 0 hours 15 minutes

by Roni Schotter

read by Amielynn Abellera

“After a day of bickering with her sister, might a magical journey on a dragon’s back show a girl the path to peace and reconciliation? This rhythmically written book is a celebration of imagination, of kindness, and of dragons. Tired from sister squabbles, a dragon-loving child slips into sleep. Soon a dragon just the right size whirs through her window to invite her on a flight into the enchanting night. They soar to a Secret Gathering where dragons carrying children from all around the world fill the sky. There are dragons. There is dancing. There are wishes. And is that her sister over there? Could they share the same wish?” — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For Preschool-grade 2. 2025.

The Secret Keepers**DB135400** 15 hours 47 minutes

by Trenton Lee Stewart

read by Cameron Bowen

“Upon finding a mysterious pocket watch by the abandoned buildings near where he and his mother live, Reuben develops the power of invisibility, which leads to his being targeted by a band of dangerous men who are threatening the city.” — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For grades 3-6. 2016.

The Hybrid Prince**DB136032** 8 hours 36 minutes

by Tui Sutherland

read by Shannon McManus

“Umber was never supposed to be a hero As the youngest sibling of his MudWing hatching, Umber doesn’t

have the responsibilities of his bigwings, Reed, nor the heroic destiny prophesied for his brother, Clay. He’s always been content with his role as the cheerful, goofy, little brother. But when his sister, Sora, causes a tragedy at Jade Mountain Academy, Umber finds himself on the run and thrown into a whole new role — that of protector. Umber and Sora fly south in search of a place where they can live far away from other dragons . . . until a kind, hybrid dragon named Mulberry saves him from a kraken attack, and Umber realizes they don’t have to survive alone after all. In fact, there’s an entire community living on a forgotten island, full of dragons hiding from their own dark pasts. As the two MudWings settle into the Court of Refuge, they start to realize that nothing in this place is quite what it seems, and the protection it offers comes with a price. Even as Umber falls for Prince Mulberry, he learns he must find a way to unlock the past of this mysterious island to ensure he and Sora have a future. And when the dragons in power try to stop him, he’ll have to decide what he cares about most . . . and whether he can be the hero these dragons need after all. “ — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For grades 4-7. 2026.

Friendship**The Apartment House on Poppy Hill****DB135797** 1 hour 17 minutes

by Nina LaCour

read by Jorjeana Marie

“Nine-year-old Ella considers herself the official greeter, tour guide, and is generally in charge of 1106 Wildflower Place, but the elusive Robinsons who

live on the top floor are a mystery — one which Ella is determined to solve and bring the elderly couple into the community of the apartment building on Poppy Hill.” — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For grades 2-4. 2025.

Growing Up

Kyra, Just for Today

DB136243 7 hours 32 minutes

by Sara Zarr

read by Caitlin Kelly

“Krya has always felt like she’s a bit too much. Too tall. Too loud. Too earnest. But she’s okay with that, because she’s got her mom. Ever since Mom got sober about five years ago, she and Kyra have always been there for each other — something Kyra is thankful for every week when she attends her group meetings with other kids of alcoholics. When Mom is managing her cleaning business and Kyra is taking care of things at home, maybe, she thinks, she’s not too much. Maybe, she’s just enough. Then seventh grade starts, and everything Kyra used to be able to count on feels unsure. Kyra’s best friend, Lu, is hanging out with eighth graders, and Mom is unusually distant. When Mom starts missing work, sleeping in, and forgetting things, Kyra doesn’t dare say ‘relapse.’ But soon not saying that word means not saying anything at all — to Lu or to her support group. And when Kyra suspects that her worst fears might be real, she starts to question whether being just enough is not enough at all.” — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For grades 3-6. 2024.

Humor

The Future Book

DB136019 0 hours 9 minutes

by Mac Barnett

read by Mac Barnett

“Every other book was written in the past. But this book? This book was written in the future. Do you want to know what the future is like? Turn the pages to get a glimpse at the world of tomorrow and its unexpected words, strange social customs, and mind-blowing colors!” — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For preschool-grade 2. 2026.

Old School

DB135638 5 hours 45 minutes

by Gordon Korman

read by Rosemary Benson

“Dexter Foreman is twelve going on eighty. He has lived at The Pines retirement village with his grandmother since he was six years old, and as a result he gets along better with senior citizens than kids his own age. He’s homeschooled by the residents up until the day the county’s truancy officer shows up and announces that Dex has to go to a ‘real’ school, to the local middle school. At school, Dex sticks out like a sore thumb. He dresses like a grandpa (and can be just as cranky). His taste in movies and music is decades out of date. Only a few students — like Gianna Greco, a reporter at the school’s newspaper — find him intriguing. For most, he is either a weirdo or a target. Dexter would do anything to return to his old life at The Pines. But when his wish finally seems to be coming true, his old and new worlds collide in a way

that surprises everyone — Dexter most of all.” — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For grades 4-7. 2025.

Mystery

Olivetti

DB136244 4 hours 38 minutes

by Allie Millington

read by Christopher Gebauer

“Being a typewriter is not as easy as it looks. Surrounded by books (notorious attention hogs) and recently replaced by a computer, Olivetti has been forgotten by the Brindles — the family he’s lived with for years. The Brindles are busy humans, apart from twelve-year-old Ernest, who would rather be left alone with his collection of Oxford English Dictionaries. Once a collector of words, now Olivetti only collects dust. He gets a rare glimpse of action from Ernest’s mom, Beatrice — his used-to-be frequent visitor — only for her to drop him off at Heartland Pawn Shop and leave him behind. When Olivetti learns Beatrice has mysteriously gone missing afterward, he believes he can help find her. He breaks the only rule of the typewriterly code and types back to Ernest, divulging Beatrice’s memories stored inside him. Their search takes them across San Francisco — chasing clues, dodging a dumpster diving girl, maybe committing a few misdemeanors. As Olivetti spills out the past, Ernest is forced to face what he and his family have been running from, the Everything That Happened. Only by working together will they find Beatrice, belonging, and the parts of themselves they’ve lost.” — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For grades 2-4. 2024.

Religious Themes

Hail Mariam

DB136033 4 hours 46 minutes

by Huda Al-Marashi

read by Huda Al-Marashi

“Sixth grade wasn’t supposed to be this complicated. Iraqi American Mariam Hassan transfers to a local Catholic school and before her first day her parents remind her that she might be the first Muslim her classmates have ever met. No big deal, right? Just represent an entire religion while making new friends, keeping up with schoolwork, and figuring out who she is. When Mariam’s younger sister, Salma, is diagnosed with a serious lung condition, her family faces endless doctor visits and sleepless nights. Mariam tries to lighten their burden and keep her own problems to herself — including the fact that she’s just been cast as Mary in the school’s Christmas nativity play. Mariam wants to honor her faith and her new community, but she’s terrified of crossing a religious line. Can a Muslim girl be the lead in a Christian story? What will her family think? And why does she feel like every decision she makes represents all Muslims? Mariam discovers that faith, much like friendships, isn’t about perfection — it’s about connection. As she leans on her family, friends, and school community, she begins to see the power of interfaith cooperation and learns she doesn’t have to carry the weight of the world on her shoulders. Hail Mariam is a celebration of the beauty of finding common ground.” — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For grades 3-6. 2026.

Scary Stories

One Night at Camp Bigfoot

DB136115 2 hours 45 minutes

by R.L. Stine

read by Sura Siu

“Siblings Harper and Dylan are reluctantly spending their summer at Camp Bigfoot. Run by an eccentric guy everyone calls Uncle Squatch, Camp Bigfoot is a classic summer camp with wooden cabins, forest trails, lots of outdoor activities-and the occasional Bigfoot sighting. Uncle Squatch loves wearing a Bigfoot costume and trying to scare unsuspecting campers. But when a Bigfoot is spotted under a full moon, panic fills the camp. Is this Uncle Squatch’s usual prank, or a real Bigfoot? Harper and Dylan are scared to find out!” — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For grades 3-6. 2026.

defeat the vicious Nighthouse Keeper responsible for the missing ghosts, save her otherworldly friends, and find her way home from the Dark Sun Side before she’s trapped there forever.” — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For grades 4-7. 2023.

Suspense

The Nighthouse Keeper

DB135383 8 hours 4 minutes

by Lora Senf

read by Kimberly Woods

“Evie Von Rathe has been home for only a few weeks from her adventure in the strange world of seven houses when Blight Harbor’s beloved ghosts begin to disappear. Did they leave without saying goodbye, or has something gone horribly wrong? Soon Evie is invited to a mysterious council meeting, where she learns about the Dark Sun Side and a terrible secret. Yes, the ghosts have gone missing. And that means serious trouble. With the help of an eleven-year-old (or 111-year-old, but who’s counting) ghost named Lark, trusty Bird, and a plump ghost spider, Evie must find a way to

Children's Nonfiction

Astronomy

Venus!: Fierce and Fabulous

DB136020 0 hours 12 minutes

by Stacy McAnulty

read by Melinda Sewak

“Hello, darling neighbors! It’s me, Venus! Get ready to be utterly charmed as Venus herself spills all her secrets of the solar system in this witty and wonderfully informative audiobook. Discover what makes Venus truly unique: from her intensely hot and, yes, a little stinky atmosphere, to her breathtaking, shimmering brilliance in the night sky. Unlike the other planets, Venus dances to her own rhythm - no moons, no rings, and a spin that’s all her own! Inside VENUS! young readers will: — Hear directly from Venus: Stacy McAnulty’s signature humor shines as Venus playfully shares fascinating facts about herself; — Marvel at Stevie Lewis’s vibrant art: The illustrations bring Venus’s dazzling personality and unique characteristics to life on every page; — Learn about planetary science in an engaging way: Discover key features of Venus in a lighthearted and memorable manner.” — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For preschool-grade 2. 2026.

Folk and Fairy Tales

Rumpelstiltskin

DB136021 0 hours 21 minutes

by Mac Barnett

read by Mac Barnett

“This illustrated picture book presents a retelling of the traditional fairy tale Rumpelstiltskin. The story follows a clever girl whose father falsely claims she can spin straw into gold, leading the king

to demand she prove the claim. Faced with an impossible task, the girl makes a bargain with a mysterious stranger, setting the stage for a reversal of expectations when the agreement comes due. Written by Mac Barnett and illustrated by Carson Ellis, the book reinterprets the classic tale with a contemporary narrative approach and distinctive visual style. It is part of a collection of retold fairy tales intended to introduce traditional stories to a new generation of readers.” — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For preschool-grade 2. 2026.

Medicine and Health

Dead Ends!: Flukes, Flops & Failures That Sparked Medical Marvels

DB134094 3 hours 46 minutes

by Lindsey Fitzharris and Adrian Teal
read by Gareth Saxe

“From New York Times bestselling author Lindsey Fitzharris, a riveting middle grade nonfiction book about medicine’s most fascinating failures and dead ends. Beheadings! Bloodletting! Bodysnatching! Journey down a snaking road bristling with medicine’s most astonishing ‘dead ends.’ Marvel at the diagnoses, experiments, and treatments that were frequently useless, and often harmful, but that sometimes led doctors to discoveries that changed the world for the better. Enjoy a whirlwind tour of the human body—from brain, to heart, to limbs—during which New York Times bestselling author Lindsey Fitzharris and caricaturist Adrian Teal will guide you through centuries of medical mistakes, festooned with riveting facts, pitch-perfect humor, and vivid illustrations. Celebrate the flukes, flops, and failures that have given science

a better understanding of our bodies and ways to treat them. This fascinating book of foul-ups is sure to delight young readers, and inspire them to embrace their failures, too!” — From WorldCat. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2025.

Nature

The Black Mambas: The World's First All-Woman Anti-Poaching Unit

DB133356 0 hours 39 minutes

by Kelly Crull

read by Sherry Carter-Brownell

“Go on patrol with the Black Mambas, South Africa’s first women-led anti-poaching unit. Meet the rangers and discover all they do to protect the wildlife at the Olifants West Nature Reserve.” — From publisher. For grades 2-4. 2025.

Science

Unfathomable: 20 Wild (but True) Stories About the Ocean

DB135800 3 hours 0 minutes

by Mary Boone

read by Ellie Gossage

“Wrestle an octopus, swim through a sunken city, and discover 20 incredible-but-true stories from our unbelievable — and unpredictable — oceans. From acclaimed nonfiction writer Mary Boone comes an illustrated look at the fascinating stories that take place under (and above) the sea.” — From publisher. Commercial audiobook. For grades 4-7. 2026.

From bam! To burp!: A Carbon Atom's Never-Ending Journey Through Space and Time and You

DB133820 0 hours 36 minutes

by Melissa Stewart

read by Whitney McMaster

“Follow the carbon atom on an epic adventure! Scientists say a collision

happened billions of years ago between the young Earth and a smaller body they call Theia. Carbon atoms were trapped inside the Earth’s crust after this collision until a volcano erupted, thrusting tons of ash and gases — including the CO₂ team — high into the sky. The carbon atom headed off!” — From Goodreads. For grades K-3. 2025.

U.S. History

White House Secrets: Medical Lies and Cover-Ups

DB135078 5 hours 26 minutes

by Gail Jarrow

read by Jonathan Todd Ross

“Did you know President Woodrow Wilson suffered a paralyzing stroke that his wife and doctors concealed for months? Or that Mrs. Wilson took total charge of his presidential duties? Neither did the American public. Did you know President John F. Kennedy suffered from Addison’s disease and was heavily medicated for years? Neither did most people. Too often when a president is sick or dying, he and the people around him have hidden his condition from the public, wanting to project an image of strength and power. In this fascinating and provocative new installment in her acclaimed Medical Fiascoes series, author Gail Jarrow explores presidential cover-ups from the 19th to the 21st century — from James Garfield to Joe Biden. White House Secrets provides the historical context to help young readers understand issues of media literacy and presidential candor that are more relevant than ever in the 21st century.” — From publisher. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2025.

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Spanish

Un Ejército al Amanecer: La Guerra en el Norte de África, 1942–1943

DB132727 30 hours 47 minutes

by Rick Atkinson

read by Luis Alberto Orozco

“The liberation of Europe and the destruction of the Third Reich is a story of courage and enduring triumph, of calamity and miscalculation. That first year of the Allied war was a pivotal point in American history, the moment when the United States began to act like a great power. Beginning with the daring amphibious invasion in November 1942, An Army at Dawn follows the American and British armies as they fight the French in Morocco and Algeria, then take on the Germans and Italians in Tunisia. Battle by battle, an inexperienced and sometimes poorly led army gradually becomes a superb fighting force. Central to the tale are the extraordinary but fallible commanders who come to dominate the battlefield: Eisenhower, Patton, Bradley, Montgomery, and Rommel. Brilliantly researched, rich with new material and vivid insights, Atkinson’s narrative provides the definitive history of the war in North Africa.” — Provided by publisher. Pulitzer Prize. Spanish language. 2014.

“La liberación de Europa y la destrucción del Tercer Reich es una historia épica de valor y sufrimiento, de aciertos, errores y de triunfo final. Pero ningún lector de nuestros días puede entender la victoria de los Aliados sin partir del inmenso drama que se desarrolló en el norte de Africa en 1942 y 1943. El

relato de Atkinson comienza con la operación «Antorcha» y la lucha inicial contra los franceses para proseguir con el enfrentamiento de las tropas aliadas con el ejército alemán. En aquel escenario terrible fue donde aquéllas aprendieron el coste de vencer a un enemigo formidable y donde se forjaron la mayoría de los grandes generales de la segunda guerra mundial como Eisenhower, Patton, Bradley o Montgomery frente a guerreros tan prestigiosos como Rommel o Kesselring. Pero más allá de los grandes nombres, Atkinson nos conduce hasta la primera línea de fuego donde el combate, la muerte en las trincheras y las anónimas tragedias comunes a todas las guerras nos muestran el rostro profundamente humano de una batalla crucial para el destino de la civilización.”

— Proporcionada por la editorial.

Traducido de la edición en inglés de 2003. Premio Pulitzer. 2014

Historia Mínima de Reino Unido

DB132726 7 hours 29 minutes

by Tom Burns Marañón

read by Diana Huicochea

“The keys to British exceptionalism.

Did the Romans conquer the Celts of the British Isles? Since when has it been a monarchy? When did England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales form a united kingdom? How did the colonies of the British Empire gain independence? Why does it have a ‘special relationship’ with the United States? Why did British music conquer the world? What has been its relationship with Europe? Why is Brexit succeeding?” — Translation provided by NLS. Spanish language. 2021.

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Proporcionada por la editorial. 2021

Cuando éramos Pilotos: Historias de los Españoles que Sobrevivieron al Dakar en África

DB132106 14 hours 57 minutes

by José Antonio Ponseti

read by Luis Alberto Orozco

“In 1977, motorcyclist Thierry Sabine got lost in the Ténéré Desert. By a miracle, he survived and vowed to return to the desert, but never alone. Two years later — whether out of bravery or by chance — he returned with a group of intrepid men and women who would become the first protagonists of the legendary Paris-Dakar Rally. The prospect of facing unknown challenges in the immensity of Africa proved irresistible, and the event was an immediate success. The greatest adventure of the twentieth century had begun. These pages contain dozens of thrilling stories of daring feats. Sabine and his comrades faced unimaginable obstacles, surviving hunger, thirst and dust storms; breakdowns and accidents; theft, illness and kidnappings ... even an arranged marriage. When We Were Pilots is an homage to a lost era, featuring epic, funny, bittersweet and very human

stories that serve as living testimony to an extreme passion for adventure in its purest state.” — Provided by publisher. Some strong language. Spanish language. 2025.

“En 1977 Thierry Sabine se perdió con su moto en el desierto del Teneré. Salió vivo de milagro, la experiencia le marcó de por vida y se prometió volver al desierto, pero jamás solo. Dos años después — quizá por valentía, quizá por inconsciencia — regresó con un grupo de intrépidos hombres y mujeres que formaron parte de la primera edición del París-Dakar. El reto de enfrentarse a lo desconocido en la inmensidad del paisaje africano hizo que el éxito fuera inmediato. La mayor aventura del siglo XX había comenzado. Estas páginas reúnen más de cuarenta historias llenas de emoción y arrojo. Porque los valientes de Sabine tuvieron que superar dificultades que ni siquiera habían imaginado: sobrevivieron al hambre, a la sed y al polvo del desierto; a averías y accidentes; a robos, enfermedades, secuestros... e incluso a un matrimonio concertado. Cuando éramos pilotos es un homenaje a una época irrepetible, repleto de historias humanas, épicas, divertidas y agridulces que suponen el testimonio vivo de una pasión irracional por la aventura en su estado más puro.” — Proporcionada por la editorial. Contiene algo de lenguaje ofensivo. 2025”

Nueva Historia Mínima de México

DB132476 11 hours 33 minutes
by Josefina Zoraida Vázquez y otros
read by Mirna Cecilia Avecilla Anaya
“In 1973, El Colegio de México published the first edition of ‘A Brief

History of Mexico’ with the aim of providing the minimum amount of historical knowledge required by any Mexican at that time. Five authors participated in this small work, capturing what was considered at the time to be the most concise and accurate view of the country’s past. Subsequent editions incorporated an additional study of recent years, but the work remained basically unchanged until the arrival of the 21st century. Without straying from the purpose of conciseness and simplicity that guided the old ‘Brief History of Mexico,’ the present work is completely new: new in terms of its seven authors, its thematic division, its approach, its explanation, its broader coverage, and, above all, its more modern and better-founded vision — as much as the more advanced and refined knowledge available to us in these early years of the 21st century allows. The ‘New Brief History of Mexico’ is not only new but also innovative. Readers will find perspectives and explanations in its pages that will provide them with a basic and enjoyable understanding of the history of Mexico.” — Translation provided by NLS. Spanish language. 2004.

“El Colegio de México publicó en 1973 una primera versión de la ‘Historia mínima de México’ con el fin de proporcionar la dosis mínima de conocimiento histórico requerido por cualquier mexicano de entonces. En esa pequeña obra participaron cinco autores que plasmaron lo que en el momento se consideraba la visión más sintética y acertada del pasado de este país.

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