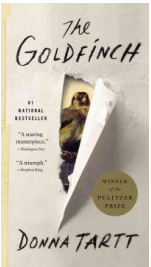


Mr. Penumbra's 24-Hour Bookstore

by Robin Sloan

After a layoff during the Great Recession sidelines his tech career, Clay Jannon takes a job at the titular bookstore in San Francisco, and soon realizes that the establishment is a facade for a strange secret.



The Goldfinch

by Donna Tartt

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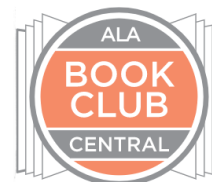
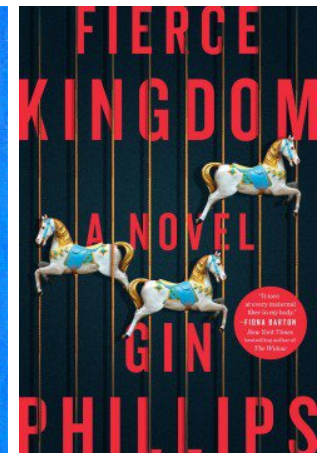
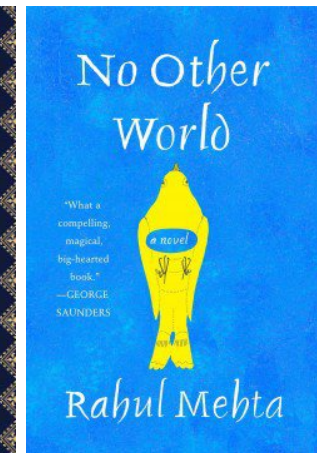
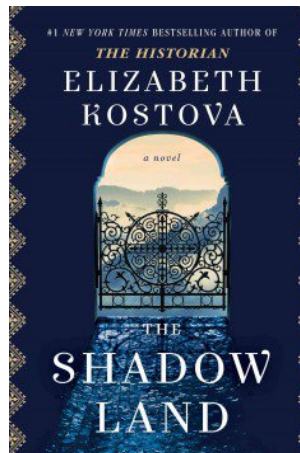
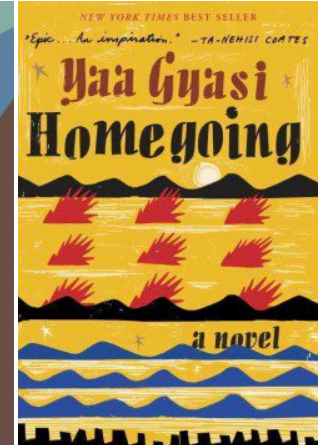
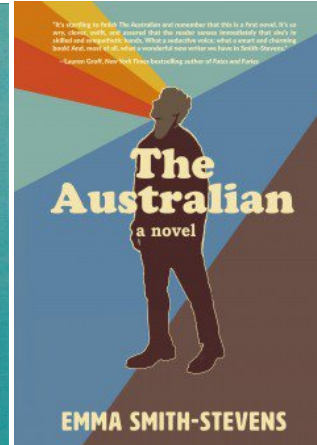
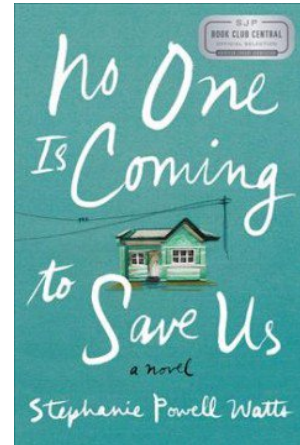
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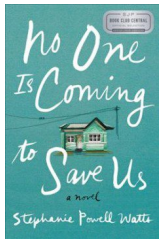
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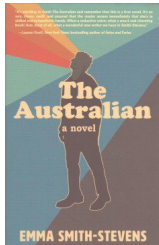
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No One is Coming to Save Us

by Stephanie Powell Watts

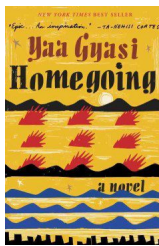
This tale inspired by *The Great Gatsby* is set in the contemporary South and follows the difficulties endured by an extended black family with colliding visions of the American dream. A first novel by the author of *We Are Taking Only What We Need*.



The Australian

by Emma Smith-Stevens

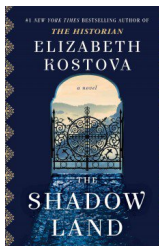
A young man known only as "the Australian" careens from posing for tourist photos dressed as Superman to chasing fame in New York. Arriving at middle age married to a woman he barely knows, he struggles with his role as a father and to understand his deceased parents' dreams. A moving, occasionally satirical meditation on masculinity, fatherhood, isolation, fame, and loss.



Homegoing

by Yaa Gyasi

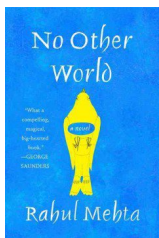
Two half-sisters, unknown to each other, are born into different villages in 18th-century Ghana and experience profoundly different lives and legacies throughout subsequent generations marked by wealth, slavery, war, coal mining, the Great Migration and the realities of 20th-century Harlem.



The Shadow Land

by Elizabeth Kostova

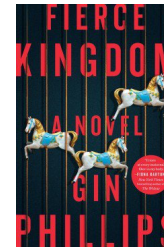
Accidentally taking a parcel from a family with whom she shared a cab, a young American tourist in Bulgaria is horrified to discover that the parcel contains an urn of ashes and embarks on an effort to return it to its family, making astonishing discoveries along the way. By the award-winning author of *The Historian*.



No Other World

by Rahul Mehta

A 1980s Indian-American immigrant family struggles with cultural differences, past secrets, arranged marriage and a gay son's coming-of-age in a homophobic community. A first novel.



Fierce Kingdom

by Gin Phillips

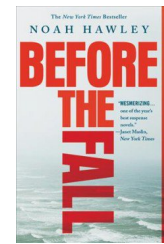
"When a violent attack descends on a zoo, Joan and her 4-year-old son are as trapped as the animals. Only her knowledge of its happy diversions--hidden pathways, under-renovation exhibits, overstocked snack machines--keeps them a step ahead of danger. A masterful thrill ride and an exploration of motherhood itself, from its tender moments of grace to its savage power.



Boy, Snow, Bird

by Helen Oyeyemi

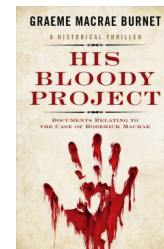
A modern reimagining of the Snow White fairy tale follows the experiences of a woman who flees an abusive childhood, marries a Massachusetts single father, and divides her attention unequally between her daughters based on their differing mixed-race appearances. A profound exploration of beauty, identity, and race.



Before the Fall

by Noah Hawley

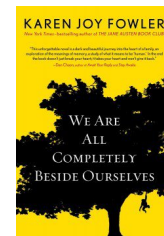
The stories of ten wealthy victims of a plane crash intertwine with those of a down-on-his-luck painter and a four-year-old boy, the tragedy's only survivors, as odd coincidences surrounding the crash point to a possible conspiracy.



His Bloody Project: Documents Relating to the Case of Roderick Macrae

by Graeme Macrae Burnet

Presented as a collection of "found documents" that reveal the details of a brutal triple murder in a remote 19th-century Scottish farming community, and the trial of 17-year-old Roderick Macrae. What was the shy, intelligent boy's motivation-- and will he hang?



We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves

by Karen Joy Fowler

Coming of age in middle America, 18-year-old Rosemary evaluates how her entire youth was defined by the presence and forced removal of an endearing chimpanzee who was secretly regarded as a family member and whom Rosemary loved.