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Daniella Clark has lived blissfully unaware of her heritage, but as her true nature reveals itself, a need rises that she cannot control. Her sexy-as-sin neighbor, Owen, eases her carnal heat and introduces her to a world she never even suspected existed. But the weretiger prime, Erick, wants her for his own. And he is more than willing to fight his second-in-command for the woman he claimed the moment he laid eyes on her luscious form. He will do anything to protect his people, and their future rests in Daniella's hands. Even as Daniella revels in the sensuality of the weretiger males, she fights to maintain her sense of self. But when old enemies arise, the battle for her heart isn't the only fight they must face. And Daniella will have to decide how much she is willing to risk for the men who want her for their mate.

The sins of Adam Hardesty's past have been discovered. And if he does not hunt down his blackmailer quickly, his secrets will be revealed to all... But there is an obstacle in his way: sensation novelist Caroline Fordyce. She knows that Adam's quest for justice could shatter her own reputation - and mire her family in lethal scandal. And she fears what he may find. Together, they will navigate the shadow side of London, venturing into an underworld of cutthroats, connivers, and illusionists. And as the mystery grows ever deeper and the danger circles ever closer, they must guard not only their secrets but their lives...

“Julie Anne Long reinvents the historical romance for modern readers, delivering intense, passionate characters and high adventure. Her writing glows.” —Amanda Quick I Kissed an Earl is another installment in rapidly rising star Julie Anne Long's sensual and emotionally charged Pennyroyal Green series, centered around the longstanding feud of the wealthy Eversea and Redmond families of Pennyroyal Green, Sussex. I Kissed an Earl absolutely brims with romance, adventure, and, of course, intense passion, as a beautiful, willful Regency lady searching for her lost brother stows away on a sailing ship—and ends up enchanting the vessel's highborn, hard-headed Captain.

A fantastic adventure featuring Chinese gods, horrific demons, bizarre creatures from Asian mythology, and electrifying martial arts action, Hell to Heaven is the second book in Kylie Chan's second fresh and exciting urban fantasy series. Fans of John Wu and other Hong Kong Kung Fu movie masters will thrill to the latest exploits Emma Donahoe Chen, badass wife of the God of the Northern Heavens, who faces the grim prospect of turning all-demon and vows to fight to the death to regain her imperiled humanity. Hell to Heaven is fresh and ingeniously different urban fantasy that readers of Lilith Saintcrow, Liz Williams, Karen Chance, Devon Monk, and Ilona Andrews will love.

Nathaniel. . . Icon. Celebrity. Heartthrob. Underneath the movie star's good looks is a man battling with the demons of his past. No one knows the real Nathaniel, they only see the pin-up, the man he pretends to be. Until one night he is

forced to rely on Katie Field, an ordinary young woman from a very different world to Nathaniel's.

A CRY IN THE WOODS The scream Lena Riddle hears in the woods behind her house is enough to curdle her blood—she has no doubt that a woman is in real danger. Unfortunately, with no physical evidence, the local law officers in small-town Ash, Kentucky, dismiss her claim. But Lena knows what she heard—and it leaves her filled with fear and frustration. Ezra King is on leave from the state police, but he can't escape the guilty memories that haunt his dreams. When he sees Lena, he is immediately drawn to her. He aches to touch her—to be touched by her—but is he too burdened by his tragic past to get close? When Ezra hears her story of an unknown woman's screams, his instincts tell him that Lena's life is also at risk—and his desire to protect her is as fierce as his need to possess her.

Organizes basic success principles into twelve universal laws. Each law is presented showing spiritual, biblical, and metaphysical foundations while demonstrating step-by-step action techniques to apply the law and get desired results. Each chapter is self-contained with summaries and review questions at the end. Perfect for readers who want to learn the keys to success and immediately put their knowledge into action.

Battlestar Galactica, recognized as one of the most provocative, and socially relevant series of the new millennium, earned its status as a classic American drama series after its very first, Peabody Award-winning season. Here, for the first time in one volume, are all three original **Battlestar Galactica** novels--based on the highly-lauded TV series that took the country by storm. In **The Cylons' Secret**, by Craig Shaw Gardner, a ship, scavenging the outer settlements for valuable Cylon technologies after the first human-Cylon war, stumbles on a super-secret scientific outpost beyond charted space. Mere hours later, **Battlestar Galactica** receives a one-word distress call from the scavenging ship: "Cylons," causing the young Colonel William Adama to investigate. **Sagittarius Is Bleeding**, by Peter David, concerns President Laura Roslin, whose prophetic dreams have infused her people with hope that they will find Earth, humanity's cradle. But her new dreams of a galaxy overrun by the Cylons disturb her even as they energize an extremist political group. The threat of violent revolt puts Roslin at personal risk and endangers the fleet. In **Unity** by Steven Harper, Peter Attis, a rock star adored by all the fleet, including Starbuck, has recently been rescued from a Cylon prison ship. But after his first post-return concert, crewmembers are stricken by a strange malady that threatens to lay the fleet open to Cylon attack. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

With comprehensive coverage of spelling, punctuation and grammar, **Junior English** offers a range of exercises of varying complexity. An engaging series that is perfect for teaching the principles of English.

Currently, more than one million military wives care for their families and their homes, often while their husbands are deployed out of state or overseas for months at a time. These women can experience a roller coaster of emotions, including disappointment, loneliness, and fear. Sara Horn, the wife of a navy reservist, understands the challenges you face as a military wife. She knows how to talk about faith and spiritual truths through the filter of military life. In her encouraging Ebook **God Strong**, Horn shares her personal stories, as well as wisdom and anecdotes of other wives from all branches of service, reminding you that: • God is in control. • You can have joy, no matter what. • Superwomen get grace, too. • God knows where you hurt. Horn's reliance on Scripture and confidence in God's comfort during difficult

times will show you that you don't have to be an army of one when you are God Strong.

With body piercing and tattooing becoming more popular and mainstream, many teens may think about engaging in these forms of body modification. An excellent resource for young people pondering a piercing or tattoo, this title presents some of the pros and cons they should consider. In an honest and engaging manner, the author presents important information teens need to protect their health, including how to identify a reputable studio, what to expect from the procedures, and how to do proper aftercare. Legal, social, and familial issues are explored, too, including the importance of discussing the decision with their parents and choosing tattoos or piercings they can live with throughout adulthood.

When life gives you bananas, it's time to make banana bread. Bake bananas into sweet loaves of goodness, with nuts, chocolate, or plain and delicious. The secret of healthy food with banana recipes. The health of our internal tissue cannot be view by our eyes but through our skin and physical look. Leading Health Authorities have agreed that the key to preventing diseases and promoting health is by eating natural whole grain food and fruits. Noting taste good compare to food prepared natural. Banana is a nutritional food for the whole family. To look our best and feel our best, we need to ensure that we are doing everything within our control to nourish and protect our cells through proper nutrition. Fruits and vegetables are excellent sources of dietary antioxidants, and bananas are no exception.

Funny, suspenseful, and fast-paced, *The Sisters Grimm* continues to charm readers with its outrageous take on familiar fairy tales. In Ferryport Landing everyone gets a day in court—even the Big Bad Wolf, a.k.a. Mr. Canis. When Canis is put on trial for past crimes, Mayor Heart's kangaroo court is determined to find him guilty. It's up to the Grimms to uncover evidence to save their friend, though Sabrina starts to wonder whether they would all be safer with the Wolf in jail. Despite her misgivings, Sabrina and her sister, Daphne, investigate what actually happened in the Big Bad Wolf's most famous tale—and the real story is full of surprises! F&P level: U

*This is a new adult romance not meant for those under 18. It contains sex, drugs, and under age drinking. The first time I ever saw Caden Harper I'm pretty sure I fell in love. All that golden hair and pale blue eyes. He was mysterious and covered in paint. I found it endearing and wanted nothing more than to find out all his secrets. I gave that man things I would never give anyone else. He blew it though. Which I shouldn't be surprised considering he is a womanizer. So I moved on, well kind of. Jaden Harper wasn't what I expected. I found myself drawn to him almost as much as his brother. Maybe it's the fact they are twins or maybe it was the fact I wanted to live on the wrong side for once in my life. Now I've found myself dug deep in this game. There's no end in sight and I wonder when all the lies I have told will come back to haunt me. Neither man should know the things I've gone through. Neither should trust me. I'm not who I say I am. My past is full of things I won't ever share. But where will that lead me when Caden wants nothing more than to consume me? He won't wake up to see he has the wrong kind of love. My Name is Grace Breadfield and this is my story.*While this title is a part of the Young Love series, it can be read as a standalone. There is a HEA and no cliffhanger.

The author provides anecdotes of her life as an independent bookstore owner, from her dinner party with Isabel Allende, to relationships with customers and struggles to stay open in the face of competition from chain bookstores.

Could you lose weight if you put \$20,000 at risk? Would you finally set up your billing software if it meant that your favorite charity would earn a new contribution? If you've ever tried to meet a goal and came up short, the problem may not have been that the goal was too difficult or that you lacked the discipline to succeed. From giving up cigarettes to

increasing your productivity at work, you may simply have neglected to give yourself the proper incentives. In *Carrot and Sticks*, Ian Ayres, the New York Times bestselling author of *Super Crunchers*, applies the lessons learned from behavioral economics—the fascinating new science of rewards and punishments—to introduce readers to the concept of “commitment contracts”: an easy but high-powered strategy for setting and achieving goals already in use by successful companies and individuals across America. As co-founder of the website *stickK.com* (where people have entered into their own “commitment contracts” and collectively put more than \$3 million on the line), Ayres has developed contracts—including the one he honored with himself to lose more than twenty pounds in one year—that have already helped many find the best way to help themselves at work or home. Now he reveals the strategies that can give you the impetus to meet your personal and professional goals, including how to • motivate your employees • create a monthly budget • set and meet deadlines • improve your diet • learn a foreign language • finish a report or project you’ve been putting off • clear your desk Ayres shares engaging, often astounding, real-life stories that show the carrot-and-stick principle in action, from the compulsive sneezer who needed a “stick” (the potential loss of \$50 per week to a charity he didn’t like) to those who need a carrot with their stick (the New York Times columnist who quit smoking by pledging a friend \$5,000 per smoke . . . if she would do the same for him). You’ll learn why you might want to hire a “professional nagger” whom you’ll do anything to avoid—no, your spouse won’t do!—and how you can “hand-tie” your future self to accomplish what you want done now. You’ll find out how a New Zealand ad exec successfully “sold his smoking addiction,” and why Zappos offered new employees \$2,000 to quit cigarettes. As fascinating as it is practical, as much about human behavior as about how to change it, *Carrots and Sticks* is sure to be one of the most talked-about books of the year.

Women historically have been denigrated as lower than men or viewed as privileged. Dr. Alice von Hildebrand characterizes the difference between such views as based on whether man's vision is secularistic or steeped in the supernatural. She shows that feminism's attempts to gain equality with men by imitation of men is unnatural, foolish, destructive, and self-defeating. The Blessed Mother's role in the Incarnation points to the true privilege of being a woman. Both virginity and maternity meet in Mary who exhibits the feminine gifts of purity, receptivity to God's word, and life-giving nurturance at their highest. ABOUT THE AUTHOR Alice von Hildebrand received a master's degree and doctorate in philosophy from Fordham University in New York. She taught at the Hunter College of the City in New York, the Catechetical Institute in Arlington, Virginia, the Thomas More College in Rome, Italy, Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio, and Ave Maria College in Ypsilanti, Michigan. She lectures in Canada, South America, Western Europe and the United States, and is the author of several books including *Greek Culture: The Adventure of the Human*

Spirit, A Philosophy of Religion, By Love Refined, By Grief Refined, and Soul of a Lion. She co-authored several books with her husband, Dietrich von Hildebrand, including The Art of Living, Morality and Situation Ethics, and Graven Images. Presents the Chicano experience of living within, between, and sometimes outside two cultures, exploring the damnation, salvation, and celebration of it all.

Head Cases takes us into the dark side of the brain in an astonishing sequence of stories, at once true and strange, from the world of brain damage. Michael Paul Mason is one of an elite group of experts who coordinate care in the complicated aftermath of tragic injuries that can last a lifetime. On the road with Mason, we encounter survivors of brain injuries as they struggle to map and make sense of the new worlds they inhabit. Underlying each of these survivors' stories is an exploration of the brain and its mysteries. When injured, the brain must figure out how to heal itself, reorganizing its physiology in order to do the job. Mason gives us a series of vivid glimpses into brain science, the last frontier of medicine, and we come away in awe of the miracles of the brain's workings and astonished at the fragility of the brain and the sense of self, life, and order that resides there. Head Cases "[achieves] through sympathy and curiosity insight like that which pulses through genuine literature" (The New York Sun); it is at once illuminating and deeply affecting.

A wide-ranging collection of essays by one of America's most perceptive critics of popular and literary culture From one of America's most insightful and independent-minded critics comes a remarkable new collection of essays, her first in more than fifteen years. Daphne Merkin brings her signature combination of wit, candor, and penetrating intelligence to a wide array of subjects that touch on every aspect of contemporary culture, from the high calling of the literary life to the poignant underside of celebrity to our collective fixation on fame. "Sometimes it seems to me that the private life no longer suffices for many of us," she writes, "that if we are not observed by others doing glamorous things, we might as well not exist." Merkin's elegant, widely admired profiles go beneath the glossy façades of neon-lit personalities to consider their vulnerabilities and demons, as well as their enduring hold on us. As her title essay explains, she writes in order "to save myself through saving wounded icons . . . Famous people . . . who required my intervention on their behalf because only I understood the desolation that drove them." Here one will encounter a gallery of complex, unforgettable women—Marilyn Monroe, Courtney Love, Diane Keaton, and Cate Blanchett, among others—as well as such intriguing male figures as Michael Jackson, Mike Tyson, Truman Capote, and Richard Burton. Merkin reflects with empathy and discernment on what makes them run—and what makes them stumble. Drawing upon her many years as a book critic, Merkin also offers reflections on writers as varied as Jean Rhys, W. G. Sebald, John Updike, and Alice Munro. She considers the vexed legacy of feminism after Betty Friedan, Bruno Bettelheim's tarnished reputation as a healer, and the

reenvisioning of Freud by the elusive Adam Phillips. Most of all, though, Merkin is a writer who is not afraid to implicate herself as a participant in our consumerist and overstimulated culture. Whether ruminating upon the subtext of lip gloss, detailing the vicissitudes of a pre-Yom Kippur pedicure, or arguing against our obsession with household pets, Merkin helps makes sense of our collective impulses. From a brazenly honest and deeply empathic observer, *The Fame Lunches* shines a light on truths we often prefer to keep veiled—and in doing so opens up the conversation for all of us.

BOOK TWO of the EVERY LIFE SERIES After witnessing Makenna's journey to find herself again, Callie is reminded of her own struggles with love. No, Wes wasn't always the easy going guy that he is today. He was moody and unpredictable in the worst of ways, and she was certain to call him out on it every chance she got. Looking back, she's amazed at how much their lives have changed since they met. Before tragedy shook them to the very core of their lives. Before her dream career began. And before Wes wasn't a broody jerk with a closet full of personalities. Yes, just four years ago, everything was different... Makenna and Shane are just a couple of lovesick college students, and Callie is doing her best to keep up with the demands of her junior year. Life is boring, and she is totally fine with that. But boring flies right out the window the day Makenna cons Callie into helping with Shane's brother's birthday party. She expects a gangly pimple-faced teenager, but Wes is far from it. He is temperamental and opinionated, but he is also incredibly hot and thoroughly enjoys pushing her buttons. And she pushes his right back. Even though their undeniable attraction draws them to one another, Wes is clear with Callie about one thing. Relationships are off limits. Friendship is all he has to offer, unless of course, Callie is willing to add a few benefits to that. He works hard to keep the reasons for his aversion hidden, but secrets have a way of making themselves known sometimes, no matter how deep you bury them. Two of those secrets hold the key to unlocking Wes' fears of the ultimate betrayal. And the other secret has Callie falling even deeper than she ever dreamed. But she's unsure of one thing . . . is she enough to save him from himself?

This collection of literature attempts to compile many of the classic works that have stood the test of time and offer them at a reduced, affordable price, in an attractive volume so that everyone can enjoy them.

It is December 1944 and Europe is still gripped by war. In the densely forested mountains of Belgium one of the conflict's most brutal battles is raging. Cut off from the front, a ragtag group of young British and American soldiers finds itself being hunted by a patrol of elite German Special Forces, including a newly commissioned officer called Kreuz—a teenage boy who will grow up to become Warden Cross (the fearsome prison director who will one day rule Furnace Penitentiary, the terrifying underground prison specially built for teen offenders). As both sides fight for their lives in the unforgiving terrain, however, they start to realize that there are worse things hiding in the snow than soldiers. There are creatures out there with gas masks and piggy eyes (ancestors of Furnace prison's "wheezers")—demonic entities that cannot be killed by guns and grenades, monsters who do not care what

uniforms their victims are wearing so long as they bleed, and so long as they scream . . . At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Today, astonishing surgical breakthroughs are making limb transplants, face transplants, and a host of other previously un-dreamed of operations possible. But getting here has not been a simple story of medical progress. In *Blood and Guts*, veteran science writer Richard Hollingham weaves a compelling narrative from the key moments in surgical history. We have a ringside seat in the operating theater of University College Hospital in London as world-renowned Victorian surgeon Robert Liston performs a remarkable amputation in thirty seconds—from first cut to final stitch. Innovations such as Joseph Lister's antiseptic technique, the first open-heart surgery, and Walter Freeman's lobotomy operations, among other breakthroughs, are brought to life in these pages in vivid detail. This is popular science writing at it's best.

It is important for ophthalmologists to keep up to date with the most recent research and advances in their rapidly developing field. This handbook is a compilation of major clinical trials in different subspecialties in the field of ophthalmology. Each trial is presented in a uniform manner, detailing the background and purpose of the study, design, number of subjects with inclusion and exclusion criteria, outcomes, then results and conclusions. Key points
Compilation of major clinical trials in ophthalmology
Covers all subspecialties in the field
Each trial is presented in a uniform manner to assist learning
Includes extensive references for further reading

A powerful and compelling new voice in Christian publishing, with a message urgently needed by today's Christian men. Every man encounters significant struggles in life—struggles that result in poor choices and decisions. Frequently these mistakes can be traced back to a common problem—a father who (even unintentionally) failed to provide counsel or a positive role model. In *What Every Man Wishes His Father Had Told Him*, author Byron Yawn offers vital input many men wished they had received during their growing-up years. This collection of 30 simple principles will help men to... Identify and fill the gaps that occurred in their upbringing
Benefit from the hard-earned wisdom of others so they don't make mistakes
Prepare their own sons for the difficult challenges of life
The 30 principles in this book are based in Scripture and relevant to every man. They include affection, courage, balance, consistency, and more. A true must-read!

Imogen, Lady Maitland, has decided to dance on the wild side. After all, she's in the delicious position of being able to take a lover. A discreet male who knows just when to leave in the morning. But Lady Maitland is still under the watchful eye of her former guardian, the wildly untamed Rafe, the Duke of Holbrook. He believes she is still in need of a "watchdog." She laughs at the idea that someone so insufferably lazy and devoted to drink can demand that she behave with propriety. It's Rafe's long-lost brother, a man who looks precisely like the duke but with none of his degenerate edge, who interests Imogen. To Imogen, he's the shadow duke . . . the man who really should hold the title. But when Imogen agrees to accompany Gabe to a masquerade...whose masked eyes watch her with that intense look of desire? Who exactly is she dancing with? The duke or the shadow duke? Rafe . . . or Gabe?

