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Though he dreams of going to sea, fourteen-year-old Peter is not entirely displeased to be apprenticed to a locksmith, especially as it means getting away from his saintly twin; but when the ghost of a former apprentice and a murder put him in grave danger, it is only his despised brother who is able to save him.

Desperately in need of a job, Jake Moran hires on as marshal of Union City, Kansas, bringing peace to the toughest town in the West--until he falls for the girlfriend of the town's biggest troublemaker. In these two stories the protagonists have mischievous fun with a former pirate and a band of robbers.

For most of his life, Igor and his family have been on the run. Danger lurks around every corner--or so he's always been told. . . . When Igor was five, his father witnessed a terrible crime--and ever since, his whole family has been hunted by a foreboding figure bent on revenge, known only as the Lizard Man. They've lived in so many places, with so many identities, that Igor can't even remember his real name. But now he's twelve years old, and he longs for a normal life. He wants to go to school. Make friends. Stop worrying about how long it will be before his father hears someone prowling around their new house and uproots everything yet again. He's even starting to wonder--what if the Lizard Man only exists in his father's frightened mind? Slowly, Igor starts bending the rules he's lived by all his life--making friends for the first time, testing the boundaries of where he's allowed to go in town. But soon, he begins noticing strange things around them--is it in his imagination? Or could the Lizard Man be real after all? Iain Lawrence is a winner of Canada's Governor General's Children's Literature Prize and the California Young Reader Medal. In *Deadman's Castle*, he brings readers a mystery filled with intrigue and moments of heart-stopping danger. A Junior Library Guild Gold Standard Selection

While visiting his mother and new stepfather whom he hates, an English teenager is terrorized by three scarecrows embodying people who met violent death and who silently threaten the entire family. A hostile young boy believes that the 3 scarecrows in the yard have come to life.

After a routine security check by George Smiley, civil servant Samuel Fennan apparently kills himself. When Smiley finds Circus head Maston is trying to blame him for the man's death, he begins his own investigation, meeting with Fennan's widow to find out what could have led him to such desperation. But on the very day that Smiley is ordered off the enquiry he receives an urgent letter from the dead man. Do the East Germans - and their agents - know more about this man's death than the Cir-

cus previously imagined? Le Carré's debut novel, *Call for the Dead*, introduced the tenacious and retiring George Smiley in a gripping tale of espionage and deceit.

When their beloved nanny disappears and their father is imprisoned for her alleged murder, Titus, Pandora, and Damp become increasingly gloomy until mysterious signs and messages that may help them resolve their terrible dilemma begin to appear around their Scottish castle home.

How did John Cox die? His sister Hayley thinks she knows so, along with John's friend Annie, she travels to Russia to visit the site of the explosion that killed him. But they soon realize there is more to John's death than meets the eye, and certain people are desperate to keep them from finding out the truth.

"In the tradition of nineteenth-century novelists who turned to the essay, Marilynne Robinson offers an authoritative approach to refining the ideas our culture has handed down to us. Whether considering how the McGuffey readers were inspired by midwestern abolitionists; how creationism, "long owned by the Religious Right," has spurred on contemporary Darwinism; or how John Calvin, who was a Frenchman in Geneva, points to America's continental origins, Robinson writes with great conviction."--BOOK JACKET.Title Summary field provided by Blackwell North America, Inc. All Rights Reserved

When her little brother seems to become possessed by an evil spirit, fourteen-year-old Laura seeks the help of the strangely compelling older boy at school who she is convinced has supernatural powers.

Jake Moran comes to the rescue of lovely, innocent Alison Shaw when she falls prey to the machinations of smooth-talking, treacherous Edouard de Lacey

Blossom, high-school freshman and possessor of second sight, helps an Egyptian princess, dead for 3500 years, to regain her tomb, and in addition saves a suffragette school teacher from losing her job in 1914.

October 15, 1951 marks the birthday of one of the key episodes in 20th century social history: the first synthesis of a steroid oral contraceptive in a small laboratory in Mexico City - an event that triggered the development of the Pill. Carl Djerassi has been honoured worldwide for that accomplishment, which ultimately changed the life of women and the nature of human reproduction in ways that were not foreseeable. On the 50th anniversary of this pivotal event, Djerassi weaves a compelling personal narrative full of self-reflection and occasional humour on the impact this invention has had on the world at large and on him personally. He credits the Pill with radically altering his aca-

ademic career at Stanford University to become one of the few American chemists writing novels and plays. *This Man's Pill* presents a forcefully revisionist account of the early history of the Pill, debunking many of the journalistic and romantic accounts of its scientific origin. Djerassi does not shrink from exploring why we have no Pill for men or why Japan only approved the Pill in 1999 (together with Viagra). Emphasizing that development of the Pill occurred during the post-War period of technological euphoria, he believes that it could not be repeated in today's climate. Would the sexual revolution of the 1960s or the impending separation of sex ("in bed") and fertilization ("under the microscope") still have happened? *This Man's Pill* answers such questions while providing a uniquely authoritative account of a discovery that changed the world.

Tender, angry, moving poems that speak to anyone who has ever cared for and lost a loved one.

As plans got under way for the Allied invasion of Sicily in June 1943, British counter-intelligence agent Ewen Montagu masterminded a scheme to mislead the Germans into thinking the next landing would occur in Greece. The innovative plot was so successful that the Germans moved some of their forces away from Sicily, and two weeks into the real invasion still expected an attack in Greece. This extraordinary operation called for a dead body, dressed as a Royal Marine officer and carrying false information about a pending Allied invasion of Greece, to wash up on a Spanish shore near the town of a known Nazi agent...

Dead Man Running: One Man's Story of Running to Stay Alive is the inspirational story of Kevin Webber. Diagnosed with terminal prostate cancer in 2014 and given just two years to live, Kevin started a brutal regime of chemotherapy and radiotherapy. He also started running and refused to stop. Across the deserts of the Sahara, the snow and ice of the Arctic and the jungles of Cambodia, Kevin's journey has taken him from the depths of despair to achieving the impossible. Kevin describes the emotions of discovering he was terminally ill and the impact on his family and friends. He talks honestly about his cancer, his treatment and making every day count while staring death in the face. The training, the marathons, the injuries, the physical and mental challenges of living with terminal cancer are all described in Kevin's own words. He has never stopped dreaming and living his life the best way he can. This is one man's story of running to stay alive which will hopefully inspire you to live a bit more too.

Discusses the history of brain research in the areas of memory, senses, thinking, behavior and sleep.

Explores concepts of color, shape, and food using only five simple words, as a bear juggles and plays.

In trade paperback for the first time, the Sally Lockhart Mysteries are given an all-new look. Created by the author of the bestselling *His Dark Materials* series, this series follows 16-year-old Sally Lockhart as she solves mysteries in Victorian London.

After an air raid, a group of English children find a German machine gun and hide it from adults who are looking for it.

Twig, now a crew member on his father's sky pirate ship, must fly into the heart of a Great Storm to save the floating city of Sanctaphrax from disaster.

During World War II, a black cat journeys all across war-ravaged England in an effort to track down

her beloved master.

An account, based on Greek myths, of the beginning of the world and the forces that rule the universe and the destiny of man.

This small book demonstrates the evolution of certain areas of modern mathematics by examining the work of past winners of the Fields Medal, the "Nobel Prize" of mathematics. Foreword by Freeman Dyson.

This is a personal account of the human side of Everett C Olson's distinguished career as a palaeobiologist. Origins and the combination of events that led to a formal education at the University of Chicago, the selection of a career, and an interest in the Permian are reviewed. Then Olson vividly describes two decades of field work in Texas, emphasizing the people, places and events that he and his co-workers encountered there at mid-century. The second half of the book is devoted to Olson's pioneering efforts in establishing and strengthening ties between palaeontologists of the US and USSR during the Cold War years and especially his deepening friendship with Professor Ivan A Efremov. Olson and Efremov, two scientists from different cultures, wrestled with opposing philosophies but shared common interests and emotions. This book will certainly be of interest to the many people who have known Dr Olson as colleague, mentor, and friend. For the general reader, the book provides insights into the career of a distinguished contemporary scientist and represents an important chapter in the 20th century history of palaeontology, earth science, and international scientific relations.

A collection of poems by Andrew Marvell includes "The Fair Singer," "Upon Appleton House," and "An Horatian Ode upon Cromwell's Return from Ireland"

The McTavishes, their seven children, and Granny McTavish take their old rattlebang of a car on a picnic up Mt. Fogg and have an exciting adventure.

History of Cognitive Neuroscience documents the major neuroscientific experiments and theories over the last century and a half in the domain of cognitive neuroscience, and evaluates the cogency of the conclusions that have been drawn from them. Provides a companion work to the highly acclaimed *Philosophical Foundations of Neuroscience* - combining scientific detail with philosophical insights. Views the evolution of brain science through the lens of its principal figures and experiments. Addresses philosophical criticism of Bennett and Hacker's previous book. Accompanied by more than 100 illustrations.

Fifteen recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor recount the deeds that brought them the prestigious award.

Thordarson's narrative here is spare, unadorned, almost plain, and tells the story of Erling, a dead-beat husband and father of three--a drunk, a gambler, and a small-time embezzler. Erling has been through a traumatic road accident, and the first part of the book alternates between various flashbacks as his concussion-afflicted mind fights to make sense of his predicament. By means of subtle but accomplished narrative techniques, Thordarson lends a sense of mystery and curiosity to Erling's abhorrent history. And in fact, the most significant criticism that can be made against the novel is that it ends too abruptly, that Erling's tragedy calls out to be placed in a somewhat larger context.

Jake Moran, broke and desperate, takes a job as hunter and scout for a wagon train making the perilous trek from Texas to California

Toni Morrison, winner of the 1993 Nobel Prize in Literature, reads the speech she delivered in Stockholm, Sweden, at the Nobel Prize Award Ceremony.

The evil Mordred, plotting against his father King Arthur, implicates the Queen and Sir Lancelot in treachery and brings about the downfall of Camelot and the Round Table.

After a shy and rather withdrawn eight-year-old begins receiving frightening supernatural images and messages, he learns about a family legacy which could be considered a curse or a rare gift.