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FICTION

Author	Title	Genre	Date
Abbott, Megan	Beware the Woman	Suspense Thriller	5/30

Newly married and with a baby on the way, Jacy and her new husband, Jed, go to visit his father, Dr. Ash. The moment they arrive at the cottage snug within the lush woods, Jacy feels bathed in love by the warm and hospitable Dr. Ash, if less so by his house manager, the enigmatic Mrs. Brandt. But their Edenic first days take a turn when Jacy has a health scare. Suddenly, whispers about Jed's complicated family history seem to eerily impinge upon the present, and Jacy begins to feel trapped in the cottage. The dense woods surrounding the cottage are full of dangers, but are the greater ones inside?

Abrams, Stacey	Rogue Justice	Legal Thriller	5/23
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Another riveting and intricately plotted thriller, in which a blackmailed federal judge, a secret court and a brazen murder may lead to an unprecedented national crisis.

Adjei-Brenyah, Nana Kwame	Chain-Gang All-Stars	Literary Fiction	5/2
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Two top women gladiators fight for their freedom within a depraved private prison system not so far-removed from America's own.

Armstrong, Kelly	The Poisoner's Ring	Historical Mystery	5/23
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In 1869 Edinburgh, modern-day homicide detective Mallory Atkinson, adjusting to her new life in Victorian Scotland as an undertaker's assistant to Dr. Duncan Gray, investigates the case of a serial poisoner targeting men, and all signs point to the grieving widows, the latest of which is Gray's older sister.

Banville, John	The Lock-up	Historical Thriller	5/23
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In 1950s Dublin, Rosa Jacobs, a young history scholar, is found dead in her car. Renowned pathologist Dr. Quirke and DI St. John Strafford begin to investigate the death as a murder, but it's the victim's older sister Molly, an established journalist, who discovers a lead that could crack open the case. One of Rosa's friends, it turns out, is from a powerful German family that arrived in Ireland under mysterious circumstances shortly after World War II. But as Quirke and Strafford close in, their personal lives may put the case—and everyone involved—in peril, including Quirke's own daughter.

Barclay, Linwood	The Lie Maker	Crime Thriller	5/16
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A man desperately tries to track down his father—who was taken into witness protection years ago—before his enemies can get to him.

Barry, Dave	Swamp Story	Dark Humor	5/2
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Jesse Braddock is trapped in a cabin deep in the Everglades with her infant daughter and her ex-boyfriend. Broke and desperate for a way out, Jesse stumbles across a long-lost treasure, which could solve all her problems. The problem is, some very bad men are also looking for the treasure, and they know Jesse has it. Meanwhile, Ken Bortle has hatched a scheme to lure tourists to his failing store by making viral videos of the "Everglades Melon Monster." The Monster is in fact a man named Phil wearing a Dora the Explorer costume head. Incredibly, this plan actually works, inspiring a horde of TikTokers to swarm into the swamp in search of the monster at the same time villains are on the hunt for Jesse's treasure. Amid this mayhem, a presidential hopeful arrives in the Everglades to start his campaign. Needless to say, it does not go as planned. In fact, nothing in this story goes as planned. This is, after all, Florida.

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Author	Title	Genre	Date
Bauermeister, Erica	No Two Persons	Literary Fiction	5/2

Alice has always wanted to be a writer. Her talent is innate, but her stories remain safe and detached, until a devastating event breaks her heart open, and she creates a stunning debut novel. Her words, in turn, find their way to readers, from a teenager hiding her homelessness, to a free diver pushing himself beyond endurance, an artist furious at the world around her, a bookseller in search of love, a widower rent by grief. Each one is drawn into Alice's novel; each one discovers something different that alters their perspective, and presents new pathways forward for their lives.

Bentley, Don	Tom Clancy Flash Point	Suspense Thriller	5/23
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If there's one thing Jack Ryan, Jr's father taught him, it's that freedom isn't free, but nothing can prepare Jack for the price he must pay in the latest electrifying entry in the #1 *New York Times* bestselling series.

Brammer, Mikki	The Collected Regrets of Clover	Literary Fiction	5/9
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A big-hearted and life-affirming debut about a death doula who, in caring for others at the end of their life, has forgotten how to live her own.

Brown, Dale	Weapons of Opportunity	Suspense Thriller	5/30
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When Nick Flynn left the US Air Force to join the Quartet Directorate, he did so with the full knowledge that no one could ever know. This covert private force—called Four by its members—promised him the chance to lead his own missions and make his own decisions, though the risks are high. When a former senior CIA executive goes dark, Flynn and his team—including the daring Laura Van Horn—are ready to step in. What begins as a quiet check on his home turns into a firefight against a familiar enemy who is more dangerous than ever.

Carr, Jack	Only the Dead	Suspense Thriller	5/16
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Navy SEAL James Reece faces a devastating global conspiracy in this high-adrenaline thriller that is ripped from the headlines.

Cline, Emma	The Guest	Psychological Fiction	5/16
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Summer is coming to a close on the East End of Long Island, and Alex is no longer welcome. A misstep at a dinner party, and the older man she's been staying with dismisses her with a ride to the train station and a ticket back to the city. With few resources and a waterlogged phone, but gifted with an ability to navigate the desires of others, Alex stays on Long Island and drifts like a ghost through the hedged lanes, gated driveways, and sun-blasted dunes of a rarefied world that is, at first, closed to her. Propelled by desperation and a mutable sense of morality, she spends the week leading up to Labor Day moving from one place to the next, a cipher leaving destruction in her wake.

Cogman, Genevieve	Scarlet	Historical Fantasy	5/9
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It is 1793 and the French Revolution is in full swing. Vampires—usually rich and aristocratic—have slaked the guillotine's thirst in large numbers. The mysterious Scarlet Pimpernel and his League are heroically rescuing dozens of aristocrats from execution, both human and vampire. And soon they will have an ace up their sleeve: Eleanor Dalton. Eleanor is working as a housemaid on the estate of a vampire Baroness. When the Baroness hosts a mysterious noble and his wife, they convince Eleanor to aid them in a daring scheme. Soon, Eleanor stumbles across a centuries-old war between vampires and their fiercest enemy. And they're out for blood.

Comey, James	Central Park West	Legal Thriller	5/30
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When a years-long case against a powerful mobster finally cracks and an unimpeachable witness takes the stand, federal prosecutor Nora Carleton is looking forward to putting the defendant away for good. The mobster, though, has other plans. As the witness's testimony concludes, a note is passed to the prosecution offering up information into the assassination of a disgraced former New York governor, murdered in his penthouse apartment just days before. It's enough to blow the case wide open, and to send Nora into a high-stakes investigation of conspiracy, corruption, and danger.

Constantine, Liv	The Senator's Wife	Psychological Thriller	5/23
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A D.C. philanthropist suspects that her seemingly perfect employee is secretly plotting to steal her husband, her reputation—even her life—in this seductive novel of psychological suspense.

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Author	Title	Genre	Date
Cronin, Justin	The Ferryman	Suspense Thriller	5/2

Hidden from the horrors of a deteriorating outside world the island paradise, Prospera’s lucky citizens enjoy long, fulfilling lives. Until the monitors embedded in their forearms, meant to measure their physical health and psychological well-being, fall below 10 percent. Then they retire themselves, embarking on a ferry ride to the island known as the Nursery, where their failing bodies are renewed, their memories are wiped clean, and they are readied to restart life afresh.

Proctor Bennett has a satisfying career as a ferryman. But all is not well with Proctor. For one thing, he’s been dreaming—which is supposed to be impossible in Prospera. For another, his monitor percentage has begun to drop alarmingly fast. And then comes the day he is summoned to retire his own father, who gives him a disturbing and cryptic message before being wrestled onto the ferry. Soon Proctor finds himself questioning everything he once believed.

Davis, Jenny Fran	Dyette	LGBTQ+ Fiction	5/16
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An addictive, absurd, and darkly hilarious debut novel about a young woman who embarks on a ten-day getaway with her partner and two other queer couples.

Feehan, Christine	Ghostly Game	Paranormal Romance	5/2
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Gideon “Eagle” Carpenter is used to rolling with the punches life has thrown at him. He does his best to live with all the sins written on his soul. Then he hears the laughter of a woman with the ability to erase the darkness of his past. Laurel “Rory” Chappel has always been a nomad. She’s accustomed to taking care of herself, but that doesn’t stop her interest in Gideon from turning into a full-on addiction. Gideon hopes he can persuade Rory to take a chance on him with every electric touch. But soon, life conspires against him, forcing the GhostWalker to risk everything to protect the woman he loves....

Fortune, Carley	Meet Me at the Lake	Contemporary Romance	5/2
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A random connection sends two strangers on a daylong adventure where they make a promise one keeps and the other breaks, with life-changing effects, in this breathtaking new novel from the *New York Times* bestselling author.

Foster, Lori	The Little Flower Shop	Contemporary Romance	5/9
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Since her divorce, Emily Lucretia has been focused on her flower shop and taking care of her aging aunt and uncle. Saul Culver, the town’s favorite bachelor, has been interested in Emily for a while. But as much as Emily knows about flowers, she can be a little oblivious to her own appeal. Saul isn’t the only one trying to get Emily out of her shell. Well-meaning locals have started tagging photos of Emily with #theflowerlady on social media—and now the entire town is involved in finding her Mr. Right.

Goodman, Alison	The Benevolent Society of Ill-Mannered Ladies	Historical Mystery	5/30
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A high society amateur detective at the heart of Regency London uses her wits and invisibility as an ‘old maid’ to protect other women in a new and fiercely feminist historical mystery series.

Hakes, Jasmin lolani	Hula	Cultural Heritage	5/2
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Hi’i is proud to be a Naupaka, a family renowned for its contributions to hula and her hometown of Hilo, Hawaii, but there’s a lot she doesn’t understand. She’s never met her legendary grandmother and her mother has never revealed the identity of her father. In hula, Hi’i sees a chance to live up to her name and solidify her place within her family legacy. But in order to win the next Miss Aloha Hula competition, she will have to turn her back on everything she had ever been taught.

Hanks, Tom	The Making of Another Motion Picture Masterpiece	Literary Fiction	5/9
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From the legendary actor and best-selling author: a novel about the making of a star-studded, multimillion-dollar superhero action film...and the humble comic books that inspired it. Funny, touching, and wonderfully thought-provoking, while also capturing the changes in America and American culture since World War II.

Henry, Patti Callahan	The Secret Book of Flora Lea	WWII Fiction	5/2
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When a woman discovers a rare book that has connections to her past, long-held secrets about her missing sister and their childhood spent in the English countryside during World War II are revealed.

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Author	Title	Genre	Date
Hostin, Sunny Harris, Sharina	Summer on Sag Harbor	African American Fiction	5/2

Following her *New York Times* bestseller *Summer on the Bluffs*, *The View* cohost and three-time Emmy Award winner Sunny Hostin spirits readers away to the warm beaches of Sag Harbor for the compelling second novel in her acclaimed Summer series.

Irby, Samantha	Quietly Hostile	Humor	5/16
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Samantha Irby's career has taken her to new heights. She dodges calls from Hollywood and flop sweats on the red carpet at premieres (well, one premiere). But nothing is ever as it seems online, where she can crop out all the ugly parts. Irby got a lot of weird emails about Carrie Bradshaw, and not only is there diarrhea to avoid, but now—anaphylactic shock. She is turned away from restaurants for being inappropriately dressed and looks for the best ways to cope, i.e., reveling in the offerings of QVC and adopting a deranged pandemic dog. *Quietly Hostile* makes light as Irby takes us on another outrageously funny tour of all the gory details that make up the true portrait of a life behind the screenshotted depression memes. Relatable, poignant, and uproarious, once again, Irby is the tonic we all need to get by.

Isaacs, Susan	Bad, Bad Seymour Brown	Crime Thriller	5/2
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New York Times bestselling author Susan Isaacs returns to a pair of her readers' favorite characters, former FBI agent Corie Geller and her retired cop dad, who must solve one of the NYPD's coldest homicide cases—before the crime's sole survivor is killed.

Keane, Mary Beth	The Half Moon	Literary Fiction	5/2
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Award-winning author Mary Beth Keane's new novel takes place over the course of one week when Malcolm learns shocking news about his wife, Jess, a patron of the bar goes missing, and a blizzard hits the town of Gillam, trapping everyone in place. With a deft eye and generous spirit, Keane explores the disappointments and unexpected consolations of midlife, the many forms forgiveness can take, the complicated intimacy of small-town living, and what it means to be a family.

Khaw, Cassandra	The Salt Grows Heavy	Horror Fantasy	5/2
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You may think you know how the fairy tale goes: a mermaid comes to shore and weds the prince. But what the fables forget is that mermaids have teeth. And now, her daughters have devoured the kingdom and burned it to ashes. On the run, the mermaid is joined by a mysterious plague doctor with a darkness of their own. Deep in the eerie, snow-custed forest, the pair stumble upon a village of ageless children who thirst for blood, and the three "saints" who control them. The mermaid and her doctor must embrace the cruelest parts of their true nature if they hope to survive.

Kuang, R.F.	Yellowface	Asian American Fiction	5/16
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White lies. Dark humor. Deadly consequences... Bestselling sensation Juniper Song is not who she says she is, she didn't write the book she claims she wrote, and she is most certainly not Asian American—in this chilling and hilariously cutting novel.

Lane, Byron	Big Gay Wedding	LGBTQ+ Fiction	5/30
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An unashamedly proud, loud, and hilarious novel about a small town that's forever changed by a big gay wedding.

Lauren, Christina	The True Love Experiment	Romantic Comedy	5/16
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Sparks fly when a romance novelist and a documentary filmmaker join forces to craft the perfect Hollywood love story and take both of their careers to the next level—but only if they can keep the chemistry between them from taking the whole thing off script.

Luo, Susie	Paper Names	Asian American Fiction	5/2
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An unexpected act of violence brings together a Chinese-American family and a wealthy white lawyer in this propulsive and sweeping story of family, identity and the American experience.

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Author	Title	Genre	Date
Lustbader, Eric	The Quantum Solution	Espionage Thriller	5/9

Evan Ryder is an extraordinary intelligence field agent, but now she finds herself in a battle arena whose dangers, while less obvious, are greater than anything the world has seen before – the present and future war of weaponized quantum technology. When an elite Russian scientist and the American Secretary of Defense die, at the same time half a world apart, of inexplicable sudden catastrophic brain damage, the world’s intelligence services realize that the quantum war has truly begun. Ryder and her long-time partner, Ben Butler, will risk their lives to discover who the true combatants are, racing against the doomsday scenario of all-out war between America and Russia.

Mason, Tim	The Nightingale Affair	Historical Mystery	5/9
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In this twisty new Victorian detective thriller, Inspector Charles Field hunts a serial killer with a sinister signature targeting Florence Nightingale’s nurses in Crimea and women in London.

Maynard, Joyce	The Bird Hotel	Magical Realism	5/2
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The Bird Hotel tells the story of this young American who, after suffering tragedy, restores and runs La Llorona. Along the way we meet a rich assortment of characters who live in the village or come to stay at the hotel. With a mystery at its center and filled with warmth, drama, romance, humor, pop culture, and a little magical realism, *The Bird Hotel* has all the hallmarks of a Joyce Maynard novel that have made her a leading voice of her generation.

McCall Smith, Alexander	The Private Life of Spies and the Exquisite Art of Getting Even	Short Stories	5/9
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From the beloved author of the No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency series comes a new short story collection: half spy stories, half tales of revenge, all highlight the kinder, funnier, and gentler side of espionage and retribution.

Michaels, Fern	Liar!	Suspense Thriller	5/23
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Justice seekers who always have each other’s backs, siblings Luna and her brother Cullen set out to unravel a cold case connected to a mysterious armoire.

Moore, Meg Mitchell	Summer Stage	Contemporary Fiction	5/23
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Amy Trevino has stayed close to her Rhode Island hometown while her famous brother, Timothy Fleming, pursued and achieved his Hollywood dreams. Now a high school English teacher and occasional drama director, Amy takes on the production manager role for her brother’s play in an effort to mend rifted family relationships. Sam, Amy’s daughter, was a Disney child star who continued her pursuit for fame in a Manhattan TikTok house. Now she’s returned home unexpectedly. Her sudden arrival is shrouded in secrets. As they work together to ensure the production is a success, Amy, Sam, and Timothy are forced to grapple with their desires for recognition and fortune, stand up for what they believe art and fame actually mean, and discover what they really want out of life.

Nesbo, Jo Kinsella, Sean	Killing Moon	Detective Mystery	5/30
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Brilliant rogue police investigator Harry Hole is back, this time as an outsider assembling his own team to help find a serial killer who is murdering young women in Oslo in the next novel in the *New York Times* best-selling series.

Newman, T.J.	Drowning	Suspense Thriller	5/30
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An edge-of-your-seat thriller about a commercial jetliner that crashes into the ocean, and sinks to the bottom with passengers trapped inside, and the extraordinary rescue operation to save them.

Page, Katherine Hall	The Body in the Web	Detective Mystery	5/30
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In the 26th book in the award-winning Faith Fairchild Mysteries series, Katherine Hall Page’s beloved amateur detective is hunkered down with her family during the pandemic when a Zoom-bombing scandal sends the community into a tailspin ... and a dead body is discovered.

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Author	Title	Genre	Date
Paolini, Christopher	Fractal Noise	Science Fiction	5/16

July 25th, 2234: The crew of the *Adamura* discovers the anomaly on the seemingly uninhabited planet Talos VII: a circular pit, 50 kilometers wide, its curve not of nature, but design. Now, a small team must land and journey on foot across the surface to learn who built the hole and why. But they all carry the burdens of lives carved out on disparate colonies in the cruel cold of space. For some the mission is the dream of the lifetime, for others a risk not worth taking, and for one it is a desperate attempt to find meaning in an uncaring universe. Each step they take toward the mysterious abyss is more punishing than the last. And the ghosts of their past follow.

Patterson, James	The 23rd Midnight	Suspense Thriller	5/1
Paetro, Maxine			

The latest in this successful and suspenseful series: an attention-seeking copycat is recreating murders by a famous killer from the Women's Murder Club's past—with devastating new twists.

Paul, Crystal Smith	Did You Hear About Kitty Karr?	Alternative History	5/2
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When Kitty Karr Tate, a White icon of the silver screen, dies and bequeaths her multimillion-dollar estate to the St. John sisters, three young, wealthy Black women, it prompts questions. A celebrity in her own right, Elise St. John would rather focus on sorting out Kitty's affairs than deal with the press. But what she discovers in one of Kitty's journals rocks her world harder than any other brewing scandal could—and between a cheating fiancé and the fallout from a controversial social media post, there are plenty. The truth behind Kitty's ascent to stardom from her beginnings in the segregated South threatens to expose a web of unexpected family ties, debts owed, and debatable crimes that could, with one pull, unravel the all-American fabric of the St. John sisters and those closest to them. As Elise digs deeper into Kitty's past, she must also turn the lens upon herself, confronting the gifts and burdens of her own choices and the power that the secrets of the dead hold over the living.

Quick, Amanda	The Bride Wore White	Historical Romance	5/2
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A psychic desperate to escape her destiny—and a killer—finds her future in the coastal town of Burning Cove.

Roberts, Nora	Identity	Crime Fiction	5/23
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Morgan Albright has finally planted roots in a friendly neighborhood near Baltimore. Her friend and roommate Nina helps her make the mortgage payments, as does Morgan's job as a bartender. But after she and Nina host their first dinner party—attended by Luke, the flirtatious IT guy who'd been chatting her up at the bar—her carefully built world is shattered. The back door glass is broken, cash and jewelry are missing, her car is gone, and Nina lies dead on the floor. "Luke" is actually a cold-hearted con artist named Gavin who targets a particular type of woman. What the FBI tells Morgan is beyond chilling. Nina wasn't his type. Morgan is. Gavin is still out there hunting new victims, and he hasn't forgotten the one who got away.

Rosenberg, Joel C.	The Libyan Diversion	Political Thriller	5/16
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The fifth military and international political thriller in the Marcus Ryker series. The world's most wanted terrorist is dead. Marcus Ryker recommended the drone strike himself. The intelligence was rock-solid. But what if it was wrong?

Rosenblum, Emma	Bad Summer People	Domestic Thriller	5/23
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Jen Weinstein and Lauren Parker rule the town of Salcombe, Fire Island every summer. They hold sway on the beach and the tennis court, and are adept at manipulating people to get what they want. Their husbands, Sam and Jason, have summered together on the island since childhood, despite lifelong grudges and numerous secrets. Their one single friend, Rachel Woolf, is looking to meet her match, whether he's the tennis pro—or someone else's husband. But even with plenty to gossip about, this season starts out as quietly as any other. Until a body is discovered, face down, off the side of the boardwalk.

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Author	Title	Genre	Date
Rowley, Steven	The Celebrants	Literary Fiction	5/30

It's been five years since Jordan Vargas last saw his college friends, and twenty-eight years since their graduation. Now Jordan, Jordy, Naomi, Craig, and Marielle find themselves at the brink of a new decade, with all the responsibilities of adulthood, yet no closer to having their lives figured out. Though not for a lack of trying. Over the years they've reunited in Big Sur to honor a decades-old pact to throw each other living "funerals," celebrations to remind themselves that life is worth living—that their lives mean something, to one another if not to themselves. But this reunion is different. They're not gathered as they were to bolster Marielle as her marriage crumbled, to lift Naomi after her parents died, or to intervene when Craig pleaded guilty to art fraud. This time, Jordan is sitting on a secret that will upend their pact.

Saint, Jennifer	Atalanta	Mythology Retelling	5/9
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A reimagining of the myth of Atalanta, a fierce huntress raised by bears and the only woman in the world's most famous band of heroes, the Argonauts.

Shaara, Jeff	The Old Lion	Historical Fiction	5/16
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From the mid-nineteenth century to the early twentieth century, from the waning days of the rugged frontier of a young country to the emergence of a modern, industrial nation exerting its power on the world stage, Theodore Roosevelt embodied both the myth and reality of the country he loved and led. In gripping prose, Shaara tells the story of the man who both defined and created the modern United States.

Sharma, Annika	Sugar, Spice, and Can't Play Nice	Contemporary Romance	5/2
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Payal is a girl on the verge—of living a life she's always dreamt of, becoming a rising star in fashion, and...of marriage?! When her parents insist she marry fellow Londoner and serial dater Ayaan Malhotra in order to save their company, Payal has a choice: stick it to her dysfunctional family but put her hard-earned fashion success on hold...or get engaged to save her family's fortune and rescue her own dream-come-true life.

Steel, Danielle	The Wedding Planner	Contemporary Romance	5/2
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Faith Ferguson is New York's most in-demand wedding planner. As much as Faith enjoys her work, her two failed engagements leave her with no desire to get married herself. She finds fulfillment in her close relationship with her twin sister, Hope, her role as a mentor for her assistant, Violet, and her career. This year, new clients have flocked to her, and Faith finds herself forming bonds with her new clients and their loved ones—most notably the handsome brother of one of her grooms. But weddings are not always all champagne and roses, and in no time, Faith is grappling with private quarrels, unplanned pregnancies, family scandals, dark secrets, and the possibility of cancelled ceremonies. Through her own journey, Faith will prove once and for all that there is not just one path to happily ever after.

Taylor, Brandon	The Late Americans	Contemporary Fiction	5/23
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A loose circle of lovers and friends encounter, confront, and provoke one another in a volatile year of self-discovery. Among them are Seamus, a frustrated young poet; Ivan, a dancer turned aspiring banker who dabbles in amateur pornography; Fatima, whose independence and work ethic complicate her relationships with friends and a trusted mentor; and Noah, who "didn't seek sex out so much as it came up to him like an anxious dog in need of affection." As each prepares for an uncertain future, the group heads to a cabin to bid goodbye to their former lives—a moment of reckoning that leaves each of them irrevocably altered.

Thayer, Nancy	All the Days of Summer	Contemporary Fiction	5/2
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Heather Willette has a good life, but when her marriage has fizzles out, Heather decides to leave her husband and rent a cottage on Nantucket. And her plan is going perfectly—until her son, Ross, announces he's moving to Nantucket to work at his girlfriend's family's construction business. Worst of all for Heather, this means having to get along with her.

Kailee Essex is thrilled that Ross is willing to move to her hometown. She's less thrilled, however, about his mother living nearby. Kailee has clashed with Heather since the day they met. But anything is possible in the summer sun and sea breezes of Nantucket—even reconciliation.

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Author	Title	Genre	Date
Urrea, Luis Alberto	Good Night, Irene	WWII Fiction	5/30

In 1943, Irene Woodward abandons an abusive fiancé in New York to enlist with the Red Cross and head to Europe. She is part of an elite group of women, nicknamed Donut Dollies, who command military vehicles called Clubmobiles at the front line, providing camaraderie and a taste of home that may be the only solace before troops head into battle. Their time in Europe will see them embroiled in danger, from the Battle of the Bulge to the liberation of Buchenwald. Through her friendship with Dorothy, and a love affair with a courageous American fighter pilot named Hans, Irene learns to trust again. Her most fervent hope, which becomes more precarious by the day, is for all three of them to survive the war intact.

Vasquez, Juan Gabriel McLean, Anne	Retrospective	Cultural Heritage Fiction	5/9
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From the Spanish Civil War to the exile of his family to Latin America, and from the Cultural Revolution in China to the guerrilla movements of 1960s Colombia, Sergio and his family's experience is extraordinary by any standards. Equal parts family saga and epic historical novel, *Retrospective* reveals the story of one man and his family -- based on real people and events -- and a devastating portrait of the forces that shaped their lives, and for half a century turned the world upside down.

Vergheese, Abraham	The Covenant of Water	Literary Fiction	5/2
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Spanning the years 1900 to 1977, set in Kerala, on South India's Malabar Coast, following three generations of a family that suffers a peculiar affliction: in every generation, at least one person dies by drowning—and in Kerala, water is everywhere. At the turn of the century, a twelve-year-old girl from Kerala's long-existing Christian community, grieving the death of her father, is sent by boat to her wedding, where she will meet her forty-year-old husband for the first time. From this unforgettable new beginning, the young girl—and future matriarch, known as Big Ammachi—will witness unthinkable changes over the span of her extraordinary life, full of joy and triumph as well as hardship and loss, her faith and love the only constants.

Weir, Alison	The King's Pleasure	Historical Fiction	5/30
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The *New York Times* bestselling author of the Six Tudor Queens series explores the private side of the legendary king Henry VIII and his dramatic and brutal reign in this extraordinary historical novel.

Wells, Martha	Witch King	Fantasy	5/30
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After being murdered, his consciousness dormant and unaware of the passing of time while confined in an elaborate water trap, Kai wakes to find a lesser mage attempting to harness Kai's magic to his own advantage. That was never going to go well. But why was Kai imprisoned in the first place? What has changed in the world since his assassination? And why does the Rising World Coalition appear to be growing in influence? Kai will need to pull his allies close and draw on all his pain magic if he is to answer even the least of these questions. He's not going to like the answers.

White, Karen	The House on Prytania	Detective Mystery	5/9
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Nola Trenholm may not be psychic herself, but she's spent enough time around people who are to know when ghosts are present, and there are definitely a few lingering spirits in her recently purchased Creole cottage in New Orleans. Something, or someone, is keeping them tethered to this world. And not all of them are benign.

NONFICTION

Author	Title	Genre	Date
Dorling Kindersley Ltd.	The LGBTQ+ History Book	LGBTQ+ History	5/9

Exploring and explaining the most important ideas and events in LGBTQ+ history and culture. This diverse, global account explores the most important moments, movements, and phenomena, from the first known lesbian love poetry of Sappho to Kinsey's modern sexuality studies, and features biographies of key figures from Anne Lister to Audre Lorde. It celebrates the victories and untold triumphs of LGBTQ+ people throughout history, such as the Stonewall Riots and first gender affirmation surgeries, as well as commemorating moments of tragedy and persecution, from the Renaissance Italian "Night Police" to the 20th century "Don't Ask Don't Tell" policy. The book also includes major cultural cornerstones – the secret language of polari, Black and Latine ballroom culture, and the many flags of the community – and the history of LGBTQ+ spaces, from 18th-century "molly houses" to modern "gaybourhoods".

NONFICTION

Author	Title	Genre	Date
Ellison, Mark	Building	Autobiography	5/16

A visionary carpenter, Mark Ellison, shares indelible stories on building a life worth living, revealing powerful lessons about work, creativity, and design through his experience constructing some of New York's most iconic spaces.

Eyre, Makana	Sing, Memory	WWII History	5/23
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A Polish musician, a Jewish conductor, a secret choir, and the rescue of a trove of music from the Sachsenhausen concentration camp.

James, Aurora	Wildflower	Autobiography	5/9
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This extraordinary memoir of struggle and perseverance offers new ways of envisioning economic equality for everyone—from a leading activist and fashion pioneer, Aurora James.

Losos, Jonathan B.	The Cat's Meow	Pets	5/2
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The past, present, and future of the world's most popular and beloved pet, from a leading evolutionary biologist and great cat lover.

Montefiore, Simon Sebag	The World	History	5/16
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Around 950,000 years ago, a family of five walked along the beach and left behind the oldest family footprints ever discovered. For award-winning historian Simon Sebag Montefiore, these poignant, familiar fossils serve as an inspiration for a new kind of world history, one that is genuinely global, spans all eras and all continents, and focuses on the family ties that connect every one of us.

Sevigny, Melissa L.	Brave the Wild River	Biography	5/23
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The riveting tale of two pioneering botanists and their historic boat trip down the Colorado River and through the Grand Canyon.

Van Wijk-voskuijl, Joop De Bruyn, Jeroen	The Last Secret of the Secret Annex	WWII History	5/16
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A riveting historical investigation and family memoir that intertwines the iconic narrative of Anne Frank with the untold story of Bep Voskuijl, her protector and closest confidante in the Annex, bringing us closer to understanding one of the great secrets of World War II.

Vance, Ashlee	When the Heavens Went on Sale	Space Exploration	5/9
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Through immersive and intimate reporting, *When the Heavens Went on Sale* reveals the spectacular chaos of the new business of space, and what happens when the idealistic, ambitious minds of Silicon Valley turn their unbridled vision toward the limitless expanse of the stars. This is the tale of technology's most pressing and controversial revolution, as told through fascinating characters chasing unimaginable stakes in the race to space.

Wohlleben, Peter Billinghamurst, Jane	The Power of Trees	Nature	5/2
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As human-caused climate change devastates the planet, forests play a critical role in keeping it habitable. While politicians and business leaders would have us believe that cutting down forests can be offset by mass tree planting, Wohlleben offers a warning: many tree planting campaigns lead to ecological disaster. Not only are these trees more susceptible to disease, flooding, fires, and landslides, we need to understand that forests are more than simply a collection of trees. Instead, they are ecosystems that consist of thousands of species, from animals to fungi and bacteria. The way to save trees, and ourselves? Step aside and let forests—which are naturally better equipped to face environmental challenges—heal themselves.

LARGE PRINT

Author	Title	Genre	Date
Hanks, Tom	The Making of Another Motion Picture Masterpiece	Literary Fiction	5/9

From the legendary actor and best-selling author: a novel about the making of a star-studded, multimillion-dollar superhero action film...and the humble comic books that inspired it. Funny, touching, and wonderfully thought-provoking, while also capturing the changes in America and American culture since World War II.

McCall Smith, Alexander	The Private Life of Spies and the Exquisite Art of Getting Even	Short Stories	5/9
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From the beloved author of the No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency series comes a new short story collection: half spy stories, half tales of revenge, all highlight the kinder, funnier, and gentler side of espionage and retribution.

Nesbo, Jo Kinsella, Sean	Killing Moon	Detective Mystery	5/30
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Brilliant rogue police investigator Harry Hole is back, this time as an outsider assembling his own team to help find a serial killer who is murdering young women in Oslo in the next novel in the *New York Times* best-selling series.

Patterson, James Paetro, Maxine	The 23rd Midnight	Suspense Thriller	5/1
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The latest in this successful and suspenseful series: an attention-seeking copycat is recreating murders by a famous killer from the Women's Murder Club's past—with devastating new twists.

Steel, Danielle	The Wedding Planner	Contemporary Romance	5/16
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Faith Ferguson is New York's most in-demand wedding planner. As much as Faith enjoys her work, her two failed engagements leave her with no desire to get married herself. She finds fulfillment in her close relationship with her twin sister, Hope, her role as a mentor for her assistant, Violet, and her career. This year, new clients have flocked to her, and Faith finds herself forming bonds with her new clients and their loved ones—most notably the handsome brother of one of her grooms. But weddings are not always all champagne and roses, and in no time, Faith is grappling with private quarrels, unplanned pregnancies, family scandals, dark secrets, and the possibility of cancelled ceremonies. Through her own journey, Faith will prove once and for all that there is not just one path to happily ever after.

AUDIOBOOK CD's

Author	Title	Genre	Date
Anthony, Carl Sferrazza	Camera Girl	Biography	5/2

An illuminating new biography of the young Jackie Bouvier Kennedy that covers her formative adventures abroad in Paris; her life as a writer and photographer at a Washington, DC, newspaper; and her romance with a dashing, charismatic Massachusetts congressman who shared her intellectual passion.

Gray, Bonnie	Breathe	Religion	5/9
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Breathe will guide you to lower stress and anxiety, and be present in your body, helping free your mind and soul to more fully experience God's peace and presence.

Hanks, Tom	The Making of Another Motion Picture Masterpiece	Literary Fiction	5/30
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Pedre, Vincent M.D. Holmes, Lee	The Gutsmart Protocol	Health & Nutrition	5/9
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The past several years have seen an explosion in gut microbiome research, and the powerful role the gut plays in whole-body health has never been more clear. What's less clear is how to use that information day to day to actually improve the way you feel—that's where this book comes in. Good health starts with the gut. The *GutSMART Protocol* is your food-based healing plan for achieving a happy gut.

Quick, Amanda	The Bride Wore White	Historical Romance	5/2
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A psychic desperate to escape her destiny—and a killer—finds her future in the coastal town of Burning Cove.

Roberts, Nora	Identity	Crime Fiction	5/23
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Morgan Albright has finally planted roots in a friendly neighborhood near Baltimore. Her friend and roommate Nina helps her make the mortgage payments, as does Morgan's job as a bartender. But after she and Nina host their first dinner party—attended by Luke, the flirtatious IT guy who'd been chatting her up at the bar—her carefully built world is shattered. The back door glass is broken, cash and jewelry are missing, her car is gone, and Nina lies dead on the floor. "Luke" is actually a cold-hearted con artist named Gavin who targets a particular type of woman. What the FBI tells Morgan is beyond chilling. Nina wasn't his type. Morgan is. Gavin is still out there hunting new victims, and he hasn't forgotten the one who got away.

Shaara, Jeff	The Old Lion	Historical Fiction	5/16
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From the mid-nineteenth century to the early twentieth century, from the waning days of the rugged frontier of a young country to the emergence of a modern, industrial nation exerting its power on the world stage, Theodore Roosevelt embodied both the myth and reality of the country he loved and led. In gripping prose, Shaara tells the story of the man who both defined and created the modern United States.

Thayer, Nancy	All the Days of Summer	Contemporary Fiction	5/2
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Heather Willette has a good life, but when her marriage has fizzles out, Heather decides to leave her husband and rent a cottage on Nantucket. And her plan is going perfectly—until her son, Ross, announces he's moving to Nantucket to work at his girlfriend's family's construction business. Worst of all for Heather, this means having to get along with her.

Kailee Essex is thrilled that Ross is willing to move to her hometown. She's less thrilled, however, about his mother living nearby. Kailee has clashed with Heather since the day they met. But anything is possible in the summer sun and sea breezes of Nantucket—even reconciliation.

Van Wijk-voskuil, Joop De Bruyn, Jeroen	The Last Secret of the Secret Annex	WWII History	5/16
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DVD's

Title	Genre	Rating	Date
65	Action Adventure Drama	PG-13	5/30

An astronaut crash lands on a mysterious planet only to discover he's not alone.

80 For Brady	Comedy Drama Sport	PG-13	5/2
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A group of friends made it their life-long mission to go to the Super Bowl and meet NFL superstar Tom Brady.

All Quiet on the Western Front	Action Drama War	R	5/9
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A young German soldier's terrifying experiences and distress on the western front during World War I.

Ant Man & the Wasp: Quantumania	Superhero Action Adventure Comedy	PG-13	5/16
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Scott Lang and Hope Van Dyne are dragged into the Quantum Realm, along with Hope's parents and Scott's daughter Cassie. Together they must find a way to escape, but what secrets is Hope's mother hiding? And who is the mysterious Kang?

Knock at the Cabin	Horror Mystery Thriller	R	5/9
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While vacationing, a girl and her parents are taken hostage by armed strangers who demand that the family make a choice to avert the apocalypse.

Moving On	Comedy	R	5/16
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Two old friends reconnect at a funeral and decide to get revenge on the widower who messed with them decades before.