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Christmas: Its Origin and Associations

William Francis Dawson 2019-06-03 "In looking at the celebrations of Christmas, at different periods and in different places, I have observed that, whatever views men hold respecting Christ, they all agree that His Advent is to be hailed with joy, and the nearer the forms of festivity have approximated to the teaching of Him who is celebrated the more real has been the joy of those who have taken part in the celebrations. My aim is neither critical nor apologetic, but historical and pictorial: it is not to say what might or ought to have been, but to set forth from extant records what has actually taken place: to give an account of the origin and hallowed associations of Christmas, and to depict, by pen and pencil, the important historical events and interesting festivities of Christmastide. With materials collected from different parts of the world, and from writings both ancient and modern, I have endeavored to give in the present work a chronological account of the celebrations and observances of Christmas. "

Finding Audrey Sophie Kinsella 2015-06-09 From the #1 New York Times bestselling author of the Shopaholic series comes a terrific blend of comedy, romance, and psychological recovery in a contemporary YA novel sure to inspire and entertain. An anxiety disorder disrupts fourteen-year-old Audrey's daily life. She has been making slow but steady progress with Dr. Sarah, but when Audrey meets Linus, her brother's gaming teammate, she is energized. She connects with him. Audrey can talk through her fears with Linus in a way she's never been able to do with anyone before. As their friendship deepens and her recovery gains momentum, a sweet romantic connection develops, one that helps not just Audrey but also her entire family.

Shopaholic on Honeymoon (Short Story) Sophie Kinsella 2014-12-16 This free eBook short story fills in the gaps of Sophie Kinsella's bestselling Shopaholic series, following Becky Brandon and her husband, Luke, as they start their luxurious yearlong honeymoon around the world. But these jet-setters are about to hit some turbulence. Becky and Luke are in Venice—the city of winding canals, gorgeous historic buildings, and, of course, exceptional shopping. To unwind from the stress of their wedding, Becky has planned an utterly blissful honeymoon where, for an entire year, they will hop from one country to the next—Italy to the Czech Republic to Sri Lanka and beyond—as they please. But lately, Luke has been more restless than relaxed. In fact, he seems (unbelievably!) like he wants to go home. Will Becky be able to save their dream vacation, or will their globe-trotting come to a sudden halt? Praise for the Shopaholic novels “[Sophie] Kinsella has a genuine gift for comic writing.”—The Boston Globe “Hilarious . . . hijinks worthy of classic I Love Lucy episodes . . . too good to pass up.”—USA Today “Kinsella’s Bloomwood is plucky and funny. . . . You won’t have to shop around to find a more winning protagonist.”—People

The Gatecrasher Madeleine Wickham 2011-04-01 The Secret Is Out! Madeleine Wickham is Sophie Kinsella, and The Gatecrasher is just as delicious as her internationally bestselling Shopaholic series. Everything's coming up roses for Fleur Daxeny, as she goes through more rich men than she does designer hats. Beautiful and utterly irresistible, her success at crashing funerals to find wealthy men is remarkable. Fleur wastes no time in seducing her latest conquest, the handsome and rich widower Richard Favour. His children are caught up in a whirlwind as their father's new girlfriend descends on the family estate. Fleur is not one to wear her heart on her Chanel sleeves, but she soon finds herself embracing Richard and his family. But just as Fleur contemplates jumping off the gold-digger train for good, a long-buried secret from her past threatens to destroy her new family. Take a wild and marvelous ride with The Gatecrasher, whose clever, chic, and sassy style will leave you desperately wanting more wonderful Wickham!

One Summer Nora Roberts 2021-08-03 Two journalists on a cross-country journey to capture the perfect image of the American spirit spend One Summer bringing their hearts into focus in this passionate novel from #1 New York Times bestselling author Nora Roberts. There's no summer getaway for Celebrity magazine photographer Bryan Mitchell this year. Instead she'll be spending three months on the road with renowned photojournalist Shade Colby. Their assignment is a nationwide photo shoot, taking candid snapshots of a summer in America for a beautiful coffee table book. But Bryan's family fun in the sun moments contrasts with Shade's portraits revealing the dark side of touristy vacations. Unable to agree on whose pictures best represent their project's ideal, or anything else, Bryan and Shade discover something extraordinary when they come out from behind their cameras to truly see one another—two people longing for truth and beauty, hoping to share their vision of love.

Sleeping Arrangements Madeleine Wickham 2008-07-08 Chloe needs a holiday. She's sick of making wedding dresses, her partner Philip has troubles at work, and the whole family wants a break. Her wealthy friend Gerard has offered the loan of his luxury villa in Spain—perfect. Hugh is not a happy man. His immaculate wife Amanda seems more interested in her new kitchen than in him, and he works so hard to pay for it, he barely has time for his children. Maybe he'll have a chance to bond with them on holiday. His old friend Gerard has lent them a luxury villa in Spain—perfect. Both families arrive at the villa and realize the awful truth—Gerard has double-booked. What no one else realizes is that Chloe and Hugh have a history; and as tensions rise within the two families, old passions resurface. It seems that Gerard's 'accidental' double booking may not be an accident after all...

The Tennis Party and Swimming Pool Sunday Madeleine Wickham 2001-03-05 Swimming pool Sunday: In an English village a girl injures herself in a neighbor's swimming pool and a lawyer convinces the mother to sue. Unaware he is using her to further his career, she does so, starting a string of unforeseen events. By the author of A Desirable Residence.

Women, Monstrosity and Horror Film Erin Harrington 2017-08-10 Women occupy a privileged place in horror film. Horror is a space of entertainment and excitement, of terror and dread, and one that relishes the complexities that arise when boundaries – of taste, of bodies, of reason – are blurred and dismantled. It is also a site of expression and exploration that leverages the narrative and aesthetic horrors of the reproductive, the maternal and the sexual to expose the underpinnings of the social, political and philosophical othering of women. This book offers an in-depth analysis of women in horror films through an exploration of ‘gynaeorror’: films concerned with all aspects of female reproductive horror, from reproductive and sexual organs, to virginity, pregnancy, birth, motherhood and finally to menopause. Some of the themes explored include: the intersection of horror, monstrosity and sexual difference; the relationships between normative female (hetero)sexuality and the twin figures of the chaste virgin and the voracious vagina dentata; embodiment and subjectivity in horror films about pregnancy and abortion; reproductive technologies, monstrosity and ‘mad science’; the discursive construction and interrogation of monstrous motherhood; and the relationships between menopause, menstruation, hagsploitation and ‘abject barren’ bodies in horror. The book not only offers a feminist interrogation of gynaeorror, but also a counter-reading of the gynaeorrific, that both accounts for and opens up new spaces of productive, radical and subversive monstrosity within a mode of representation and expression that has often been accused of being misogynistic. It therefore makes a unique contribution to the study of women in horror film specifically, while also providing new insights in the broader area of popular culture, gender and film philosophy.

A Desirable Residence Sophie Kinsella 2011-12-01 What goes on behind closed doors. . . Liz and Jonathan Chambers were in trouble. They can't sell their old house. Here they are, stuck with two mortgages, mounting debts and a miserable adolescent daughter who hadn't wanted to move anyway. Then it seems Marcus Witherstone will solve all their problems. He knows the perfect tenants from London who will rent their old house – glamorous PR girl Ginny and almost-famous Piers. Everything is going to be OK. But soon everyone's entangled with everyone else, in the most awkward possible way. And as events closed in on him, Marcus began to realise that some deceptions are just a bit too close to home.

Wedding Night Sophie Kinsella 2013-04-23 #1 New York Times bestselling author Sophie Kinsella returns with her trademark blend of sparkling wit and playful romance in this page-turning story of a wedding to remember—and a honeymoon to forget. Lottie just knows that her boyfriend is going to propose, but then his big question involves a trip abroad—not a trip down the aisle. Completely crushed, Lottie reconnects with an old flame, and they decide to take drastic action. No dates, no moving in together, they'll just get married. . . . right now. Her sister, Fliss, thinks Lottie is making a terrible mistake, and will do anything to stop her. But Lottie is determined to say “I do,” for better, or for worse. Praise for Wedding Night “Sophie Kinsella is beloved by millions—her books are properly mood-altering. Wedding Night is funny, fast, and farcical. I loved it.”—JoJo Moyes, bestselling author of Me Before You “[A] fun novel that’s as light and bubbly as a glass of wedding champagne.”—USA Today “Filled with laugh-out-loud moments, this is Sophie Kinsella at her tiest. . . . An engrossing novel.”—Bookreporter “You won’t be able to stop reading. . . . The narrative gallops along with humorous scenes and great one-liners.”—The Daily Mail “A fast-paced, hilarious comedy [with] a charming cast of characters.”—Kirkus Reviews

Surprise Me Sophie Kinsella 2018-02-13 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • A witty and emotionally charged novel that delves into the heart of a marriage, and how those we love and think we know best can sometimes surprise us the most “A delightful take on the mixed blessings of marital longevity.”—People After ten years together, Sylvie and Dan have a comfortable home, fulfilling jobs, and beautiful twin girls, and they communicate so seamlessly they finish each other’s sentences. They have a happy marriage and believe they know everything there is to know about each other. Until it’s casually mentioned to them that they could be together for another sixty-eight years . . . and panic sets in. They decide to bring surprises into their marriage to keep it fresh and fun. But in their pursuit of Project Surprise Me—from unexpected gifts to restaurant dates to sexy photo shoots—mishaps arise, with disastrous and comical results. Gradually, surprises turn to shocking truths. And when a scandal from the past is uncovered, they begin to wonder if they ever really knew each other at all. With a colorful cast of eccentric characters, razor-sharp observations, and her signature wit and charm, Sophie Kinsella presents a humorous yet moving portrait of a marriage—its intricacies, comforts, and complications. Surprise Me reveals that hidden layers in a close relationship are often yet to be discovered. Praise for Surprise Me “Genuinely funny.”—The New York Times Book Review “Unexpected and wholly satisfying.”—USA Today “In her signature fashion, Sophie Kinsella brings a cast of quirky, funny characters to this new work. [She] keeps the laughs coming. . . . Readers will follow the story with bated breath as the couple struggle to make their marriage right after everything they thought they knew about each other proves wrong.”—Library Journal “Heartfelt. . . . What at first seems like a light novel about a familiar wedge turns into a deeper story about trust, family, and perception.”—Publishers Weekly “Winsome and zesty, Kinsella’s latest delivers all the hallmark her many fans have come to expect.”—Booklist “Pure fun . . . a hilariously good look at marriage and the power of mixing things up.”—Kirkus Reviews

The Wedding Girl Madeleine Wickham 2009-06-23 At the age of eighteen, in that first golden Oxford summer, Milly was up for anything. Rupert and his American lover, Allan, were an important part of her new, exciting life, so when Rupert suggested to her that she and Allan should get married to keep Allan in the country, Milly didn't hesitate. Ten years later, Milly is a very different person and engaged to Simon—who is wealthy, serious, and believes her to be perfect. Milly's secret history is locked away so securely she has almost persuaded herself that it doesn't exist—until, only four days before her elaborate wedding. To have and to hold takes on a whole new meaning when one bride's past catches up with her and bring the present crashing down. With her trademark style of keen insight, and razor sharp wit, Madeleine Wickham introduces her fanatical fan-base, plus a host of new readers to a fresh and irresistible heroine in The Wedding Girl.

The Undomestic Goddess Sophie Kinsella 2005-07-19 Workaholic attorney Samantha Sweeting has just done the unthinkable. She's made a mistake so huge, it'll wreck any chance of a partnership. Going into utter meltdown, she walks out of her London office, gets on a train, and ends up in the middle of nowhere. Asking for directions at a big, beautiful house, she's mistaken for an interviewee and finds herself being offered a job as housekeeper. Her employers have no idea they've hired a lawyer—and Samantha has no idea how to work the oven. She can't sew on a button, bake a potato, or get the ##\$# ironing board to open. How she takes a deep breath and begins to cope—and finds love—is a story as delicious as the bread she learns to bake. But will her old life ever catch up with her? And if it does...will she want it back?

Hilarious, Heartwarming Heroines: Four Novels Sophie Kinsella 2013-08-05 Nobody does smart, screwball romantic comedy quite like Sophie Kinsella, #1 New York Times bestselling author of the beloved Shopaholic series. In these four stand-alone novels, Kinsella's charming heroines juggle work life, love life—and sometimes, even the afterlife—to heartwarming and hilarious effect. This must-have eBook bundle includes: CAN YOU KEEP A SECRET? “Move over, Bridget [Jones]! . . . Kinsella's witty take on mundane office and family life will really make you laugh out loud.”—Evening Chronicle (UK) Emma Corrigan has a huge heart, an irrepressible spirit, and a few little secrets. Secrets from her boyfriend, secrets from her mother . . . secrets she wouldn't share with anyone in the world. Until she spills them all to a handsome stranger on a plane, who, she later discovers, just so happens to be Jack Harper, her company's elusive CEO—a man who now knows every humiliating detail about her. THE UNDOMESTIC GODDESS “Another charming winner from the delightful Kinsella.”—Booklist Samantha Sweeting, a workaholic attorney at a London law firm, has just made a huge, unthinkable mistake, wrecking her chance of becoming partner. Going into utter meltdown, she walks out of her office, boards a train, and ends up in the middle of nowhere. Asking for directions at a big, beautiful house, she's mistaken for an interviewee and is offered a job as their housekeeper. And as she figures out how to turn on the oven and how to open the ##\$# ironing board, she finds that this new life may be exactly what she is looking for. REMEMBER ME? “A delicious page-turner.”—USA Today When twenty-eight-year-old Lexi Smart wakes up in a London hospital, she's in for a big surprise. Having survived a car accident, Lexi has lost a big chunk of her memory—three years to be exact—and somehow she's gone from being a twenty-five-year-old working girl to being a corporate big shot with a sleek loft, a personal assistant, and a gorgeous husband. Will she ever remember how this all came to be? And what will happen when she does? TWENTIES GIRL “Kinsella [is] a master of comic pacing and feminine wit.”—Publishers Weekly Lara Lington's imagination seems to be in overdrive. Normal twenty-something young women don't get visited by ghosts. Or do they? When the spirit of Lara's great-aunt Sadie mysteriously appears, she has one request: Lara must find a missing necklace that was in Sadie's possession for more than seventy-five years. And in their mission, these very different “twenties” girls learn some surprising truths from and about each other. BONUS: This eBook bundle also includes an excerpt from Sophie Kinsella's Wedding Night.

The Wedding Girl Madeleine Wickham 2009-06-23 Having rashly agreed ten years earlier to a marriage of convenience with her gay friend's partner to secure his citizenship, Milly hides the truth about her married status from her wealthy and serious fiancé until four days before her wedding, a secret that catches up with her in unexpected ways. By the author of The Gatecrasher.

Hot Wife Romance – A Hotwife Wife Watching Novel Karly Violet A Wife’s Past Lover Changes Her Mind On Her Views On Adultery! They knew in the early days that it was only a matter of time before their marriage turned stale. Nick and Nadia has been married for 9 years and each year had simply been another notch on the headboard in their dead bedroom. The frustrated husband had even suggested that Nadia explore the pleasures with another man, in a sheer act of desperation to reignite the passion he missed. But she found the idea absurd and dismissed it without a further thought. Yet the stunning wife had other ideas. When she bumped into a lover from her past at a University reunion, she couldn't help but let her past emotions and the current lack of intimacy take over her thoughts. And when one drink leads to another, Nadia and her old lover

find themselves in the midst of a heated moment. A moment filled with moans and groans of pleasure. The excited wife is lost in the moment and finds herself accidentally pocketing dialling her husband, broadcasting every second of her infidelity to him. When the husband learns that his wife's original objection was simply a ruse to keep him at bay..... how can Nick comes to terms that his beautiful wife will commit adultery but deny him an open marriage? This scorching hot 35,000 word romance novels themes of hotwife, wife watching and husband learning of his wife' adultery despite her denying him an open marriage! Keywords: Novel, Affair, Cheating Wife, Voyeur, Adultery, Open Marriage, Housewife

Sleeping Arrangements Madeleine Wickham 2010-11-30 Thanks to a mutual friends' invitation, two families meet in a luxury villa in Spain and discover their room is

overbooked, igniting old passions and tensions.

The Lost Art of Gratitude Alexander McCall Smith 2009-09-22 ISABEL DALHOUSIE – Book 6 Nothing captures the charm of Edinburgh like the bestselling Isabel Dalhousie series of novels featuring the insatiably curious philosopher and woman detective. Whether investigating a case or a problem of philosophy, the indefatigable Isabel Dalhousie, one of fiction's most richly developed amateur detectives, is always ready to pursue the answers to all of life's questions, large and small. The sensational sixth installment in the best-selling chronicles of the irrepressibly curious Isabel Dalhousie finds our inquisitive heroine and new mother racing two very troublesome people from her past. Isabel's son, Charlie, is only eighteen months, but his social life is already kicking into high gear, and it's at a birthday party, where Isabel is approached by Minty Auchterlonie, an old adversary and now a high-flying financier. Minty, it seems, is having trouble in her personal life, and seeks Isabel's help. To make matters worse, the Auhterlonies but peaceable Professor Dove has accused Isabel's journal of plagiarism. There is also the ever-pressing question of the future of her relationship with Jamie. As always, she makes her way toward the heart of each problem by philosophizing, sleuthing, and downright snooping as only she can.

A Desirable Residence Madeleine Wickham 2012-01-31 Struggling with two mortgages when their former house does not sell, Liz and Jonathan are encouraged by a charismatic realtor to rent the house to a London couple, an arrangement that is complicated by extramarital desires and Liz and Jonathan's troubledteen daughter's obsession with the tenants.

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I Owe You One Sophie Kinsella 2019-02-05 “An irresistible story of love and empowerment about a young woman with a complicated family, a handsome man who might be “the one,” and an IOU that changes everything. Fixie Farr has always lived by her father's motto: “Family first.” But ever since her dad passed away, leaving his charming kitchen supply store in the hands of his children, Fixie spends all her time picking up the slack from her siblings instead of striking out on her own. The way Fixie sees it, if she doesn't take care of her father's legacy, who will?”

Tell Me Nora Charlotte Byrd 2019-10

Cocktails for Three Madeleine Wickham 2006-03-07 Three successful young women in the magazine business meet on the first day of every month for cocktails in a London bar and reveal secrets that could undermine their lives and relationships. Reprint. 75,000 first printing.

The Gatecrasher Madeleine Wickham 2008-05-27 Endeavoring to win the heart of a wealthy widower at his wife's funeral, attractive Fleur Daxeny finds herself unexpectedly falling in love with the millionaire golfer she has targeted and struggling to outmaneuver a rival for his affections. By the author of Cocktails for Three. Reprint. 250,000 first printing.

The Baobabs: Pachycauls of Africa, Madagascar and Australia G.E. Wickens 2008-03-02 This is the only comprehensive account of all eight species in the genus Adansonia. It describes the historical background from the late Roman period to the present. It covers the extraordinary variety of economic uses of baobabs. There are also appendices on vernacular names, gazetteer, economics, nutrition and forest mensuration. This book fills a gap in the botanical literature. It deals with a genus that has fascinated and intrigued scientists and lay persons for centuries.

Mini Shopaholic Sophie Kinsella 2010-09-21 “Frothy fun . . . Faster than a swiping Visa, more powerful than a two-for-one coupon, able to buy complete wardrobes in a single sprint through the mall—it's Shopaholic!”—The Washington Post Becky Brandon thinks that having a daughter is a dream come true: a shopping friend for life! But two-year-old Minnie has a quite different approach to shopping. The toddler creates havoc everywhere she goes, from Harrods to her own christening. On top of everything else, Becky and Luke are still living with her parents (the deal on house #4 has fallen through), when suddenly there's a huge nationwide financial crisis. With people having to cut back, Becky decides to throw a surprise party for Luke to cheer everyone up. But when costs start to spiral out of control, she must decide whether to accept help from an unexpected source—and therefore run the risk of hurting the person she loves. Will Becky be able to pull off the celebration of the year? Will she and Luke ever find a home of their own? Will Minnie ever learn to behave? And . . . most important . . . will Becky's secret wishes ever come true? BONUS: This edition contains an excerpt from Sophie Kinsella's Shopaholic to the Stars and a sneak peek into all of the Shopaholic novels. Praise for Mini Shopaholic “Madcap adventure.”—People “A page-turner . . . [Sophie] Kinsella at her most hilarious best.”—Fort Worth Star-Telegram “Screamingly funny.”—USA Today

Confessions of a Shopaholic Sophie Kinsella 2003-03-04 From the #1 New York Times bestselling author of The Party Crasher and Love Your Life comes “a hilarious tale . . . hijinks worthy of classic I Love Lucy episodes . . . too good to pass up.” (USA Today) “Sophie Kinsella keeps her finger on the cultural pulse, while leaving me giddy with laughter.”—Jojo Moyes, author of The Giver of Stars and The Last Letter from Your Lover Becky Bloomwood has a fabulous flat in London's trendiest neighborhood, a troupe of glamorous socialite friends, and a closet brimming with the season's must-haves. The only trouble is, she can't actually afford it—not any of it. Her job writing at Successful Saving magazine not only bores her to tears, it doesn't pay much at all. And lately Becky's been chased by dismal letters from the bank—letters with large red sums she can't bear to read. She tries cutting back. But none of her efforts succeeds. Her only consolation is to buy herself something . . . just a little something. Finally a story arises that Becky actually cares about, and her front-page article catalyzes a chain of events that will transform her life—and the lives of those around her—forever. Praise for Sophie Kinsella and Confessions of a Shopaholic “Kinsella's Bloomwood is plucky and funny. . . . You won't have to shop around to find a more winning protagonist.”—People “If a crème brûlée could be transmogrified into a book, it would be Confessions of a Shopaholic.”—The Star-Ledger “A have-your-cake-and-eat-it romp, done with brio and not a syllable of moralizing. . . . Kinsella has a light touch and puckish humor.”—Kirkus Reviews

Week, Un Madeleine Wickham 2009-03-12 Quoi de plus sympathique qu'un week-end à la campagne avec des amis perdus de vue pour évoquer le bon vieux temps ? C'est ainsi que les anciens de Seymour Road se retrouvent dans la superbe maison de Patrick et Caroline. Au menu : tennis, cocktails et fonds d'investissement. Sur la pelouse, chacun sort son plus beau jeu : un bronzage satiné, un revers lifté, une enfant surdouée, un projet d'hôtel... Mais les choses vont rapidement tourner au vinaigre. Malgré la joie affichée, les années ont écorché la belle complicité d'autrefois. Pire, cette plongée dans le passé va obliger chacun à comparer sa situation à celle des autres et à ses rêves de jeunesse. Au programme : jeu, set et baffes !

The 100 Complete Boxed Set Kass Morgan 2020-08-04 Read the books that inspired the CW show! All four thrilling novels in The 100 series are now available in this paperback boxed set. Ever since nuclear war destroyed our planet, humanity has been living on city-like spaceships hovering above the toxic surface. As far as anyone knows, no one has stepped foot on Earth in centuries—--that is, until one hundred juvenile delinquents are sentenced to return and recolonize the hostile land. The future of the human race rests in their hands, but nothing can prepare the 100 for what they find on this strange and savage planet. Don't miss the book series that inspired the hit TV show. New York Times bestseller The 100, Day 21,Homecoming, and Rebellion are gathered together for the first time in this striking box set, perfect for fans and series newcomers alike.

Remember Me? Sophie Kinsella 2008-02-26 With the same wicked humor and delicious charm that have won her millions of devoted fans, Sophie Kinsella, author of the #1 New York Times bestseller Shopaholic & Baby, returns with an irresistible new novel and a fresh new heroine who finds herself in a life-changing and utterly hilarious predicament... When twenty-eight-year-old Lexi Smart wakes up in a London hospital, she's in for a big surprise. Her teeth are perfect. Her body is toned. Her handbag is Vituiton. Having survived a car accident—in a Mercedes no less—Lexi has lost a big chunk of her memory, three years to be exact, and she's about to find out just how much things have changed. Somehow Lexi went from a twenty-five-year-old working girl to a corporate big shot with a sleek new loft, a personal assistant, a carb-free diet, and a set of glamorous new friends. And who is this gorgeous husband—who also happens to be a multimillionaire? With her mind still stuck three years in reverse, Lexi greets this brave new world determined to be the person she...well, seems to be. That is, until an adorably disheveled architect drops the biggest bombshell of all. Suddenly Lexi is scrambling to catch her balance. Her new life, it turns out, comes complete with secrets, schemes, and intrigue. How on earth did all this happen? Will she ever remember? And what will happen when she does? BONUS: This edition contains an excerpt from Sophie Kinsella's Wedding Night.

Cocktails for Three Madeleine Wickham 2009-03-31 Madeleine Wickham, who writes the internationally bestselling Shopaholic series as Sophie Kinsella, has penned an irresistibly dishy and entertaining novel about three savvy young women and the secrets they share over monthly drinks. Roxanne: glamorous, self-confident, with a secret lover — a married man Maggie: capable and high-achieving, until she finds the one thing she can't cope with — motherhood Candice: honest, decent, or so she believes — until a ghost from her past turns up At the first of every month, when the office has reached its pinnacle of hysteria, Maggie, Roxanne, and Candice meet at London's swankiest bar for an evening of cocktails and gossip. Here, they chat about what's new at the Londoner, the glossy fashion magazine where they all work, and everything else that's going on in their lives. Or almost everything. Beneath the girl talk and the laughter, each of the three has a secret. And when a chance encounter at the cocktail bar sets in motion an extraordinary chain of events, each one will find their biggest secret revealed. In Cocktails for Three, Madeleine Wickham combines her trademark humor with remarkable insight to create an edgy, romantic tale of secrets, strangers, and a splash of scandal.

An Adventure in Applied Science Robert Flint Chandler 1992

A Desirable Residence Madeleine Wickham 2010-06-22 From the author of the sensational bestselling Sophie Kinsella novels and the New York Times bestsellers The Wedding Girl and Sleeping Arrangements, comes a wicked comedy of adultery, angst, and modern marriage The asking price for this house includes a stunning renovation of hearts and dreams...Liz and Jonathan Chambers were stuck with two mortgages, mounting debts, and a miserable adolescent daughter. Then realtor Marcus Witherstone came into their lives—and it seemed he would solve all their problems. He knew the perfect tenants from London who would rent their old house: a glamorous PR girl, Ginny, and her almost-famous husband, Piers. But soon Liz is lost in blissful dreams of Marcus, Jonathan is left to run their business, and neither of them has time to notice that their teenage daughter is developing an unhealthy passion for the tenants, Piers and Ginny. Everyone is tangled up with everyone else, and in the most awkward possible way. As events close in, they all begin to realize that some deceptions are just a bit too close to home. A Desirable Residence is sure to continue the phenomenal success of the Sophie Kinsella/Madeleine Wickham franchise.

The Girl You Left Behind Jojo Moyes 2014-06-24 From the New York Times bestselling author of The Giver of Stars and the forthcoming Someone Else's Shoes, a sweeping bestseller of love and loss, deftly weaving two journeys from World War I France to present day London. Paris, World War I. Sophie Lefèvre must keep her family safe while her adored husband, Edouard, fights at the front. When their town falls to the Germans, Sophie is forced to serve them every evening at her hotel. From the moment the new Kommandant sets eyes on Sophie's portrait—painted by her artist husband—a dangerous obsession is born. Almost a century later in London, Sophie's portrait hangs in the home of Liv Halston, a wedding gift from her young husband before his sudden death. After a chance encounter reveals the portrait's true worth, a battle begins over its troubled history and Liv's world is turned upside all over again.

The Wedding Girl Madeleine Wickham 2011-01-10 At the age of eighteen, in that first golden Oxford summer, Milly was up for anything, and that included marrying her American friend Allan, so he could stay in the country with his lover Rupert.

The Boy Who Knew Everything Victoria Forester 2015-10-27 In the wake of a prophecy that says they have the power to bring about great change, genius Conrad Harrington III teams up with Piper McCloud, the girl who could fly, to try to save the world and themselves.

The Type Sarah Kay 2016-02-09 Sarah Kay's powerful spoken word poetry performances have gone viral, with more than 10 million online views and thousands more in global live audiences. In her second single-poem volume, Kay takes readers along a lyrical road toward empowerment, exploring the promise and complicated reality of being a woman. During her spoken word poetry performances, audiences around the world have responded strongly to Sarah Kay's poem The Type. As Kay wrote in The Huffington Post: "Much media attention has been paid to what it means to 'be a woman,' but often the conversation focuses on what it means to be a woman in relation to others. I believe these relationships are important. I also think it is possible to define ourselves solely as individuals... We have the power to define ourselves: by telling our own stories, in our own words, with our own voices." Never-before-published in book form, The Type is illustrated throughout and perfect for gift-giving.

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Swimming Pool Sunday Sophie Kinsella 2014-08-26 *Swimming Pool Sunday* by Sophie Kinsella, writing as Madeleine Wickham One shimmeringly hot Sunday in May, the Delaneys open their pool to the whole village for charity. Louise is there with her daughters, and while the children splash and shriek in the cool blue waters, she basks in the sunshine, attempting to ignore her estranged husband and dreaming of the new man in her life, a charismatic lawyer. The day seems perfect. Then a sudden and shocking accident changes everyone's lives forever. Recriminations start to fly. Whose fault was it? Louise's new lover insists that she sues the Delaneys. Her ex-husband isn't so sure. Opinion in the village is split. Old friendships start to crumble. New ones are formed. Will the repercussions from the accident ever end? "A fine entertainment."- The Times