



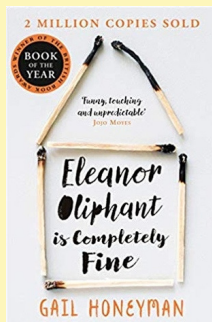
Title: *The One Hundred Year Old Man Who Climbed Out of the Window and Disappeared*

Author: Jonas Jonasson

Published: September 2009

Adult Fiction

After a long and eventful life, Allan Karlsson ends up in a nursing home, believing it to be his last stop. The only problem is that he's still in good health. A big celebration is in the works for his 100th birthday, but Allan really isn't interested so he decides to escape.



Title: *Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine*

Author: Gail Honeyman

Published: May 2017

Adult Fiction

Eleanor Oliphant leads a simple life. She wears the same clothes to work every day, eats the same meal deal for lunch every day and buys the same two bottles of vodka to drink every weekend.

Eleanor Oliphant is happy. Nothing is missing from her carefully timetabled existence. Except, sometimes, everything...

FEEL-GOOD FUNNY STORIES



2023 Reading List



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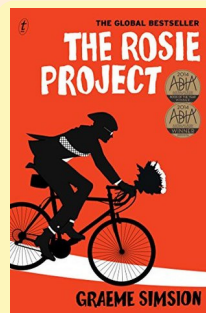
Title: *Runt*

Author: Craig Silvey

Published: October 2022

Adult Fiction

Annie Shearer lives in the country town of Upson Downs with her best friend, an adopted stray dog called Runt. The two share a very special bond. After years evading capture, Runt is remarkably fast and agile, perfect for herding runaway sheep. But when a greedy local landowner puts her family's home at risk, Annie directs Runt's extraordinary talents towards a different pursuit.



Title: *The Rosie Project*

Author: Graeme Simsion

Published: October 2013

Adult Fiction

Don Tillman, professor of genetics, has never been on a second date. He is a man who can count all his friends on the fingers of one hand, whose lifelong difficulty with social rituals has convinced him that he is simply not wired for romance. So when an acquaintance informs him that he would make a "wonderful" husband, his first reaction is shock.



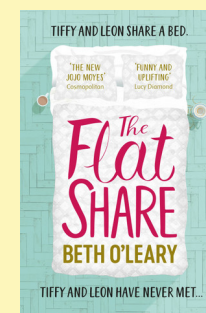
Title: *Where'd You Go Bernadette*

Author: Maria Semple

Published: August 2012

Adult Fiction

Bernadette Fox has vanished. After a school fundraiser goes disastrously awry at her hands, she disappears, leaving her family to pick up the pieces--which is exactly what Bee does, weaving together an elaborate web of emails, invoices, and school memos that reveals a secret past Bernadette has been hiding for decades.



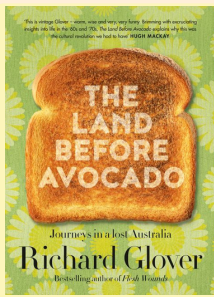
Title: *The Flat Share*

Author: Beth O'Leary

Published: April 2019

Adult Fiction

Tiffany Moore needs a cheap flat, and fast. Leon Twomey works nights and needs cash. Their friends think they're crazy, but it's the perfect solution: Leon occupies the one-bed flat while Tiffany's at work in the day, and she has the run of the place the rest of the time.



Title: *The Land Before Avocado*

Author: Richard Glover

Published: 2018

Adult Non-Fiction

A funny and frank look at the way Australia used to be - and just how far we have come. "It was simpler time". We had more fun back then". "Everyone could afford a house". There's plenty of nostalgia right now for the Australia of the past, but what was it really like?



Title: *The House in the Cerulean Sea*

Author: T.J. Klune

Published: March 2020

Adult Fiction

Linus Baker leads a quiet, solitary life. At forty, he lives in a tiny house with a devious cat and his old records and is a Case Worker at the Department in Charge Of Magical Youth. When Linus is unexpectedly summoned by Extremely Upper Management he's given a curious and highly classified assignment.



Title: *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*

Author: Douglas Adams

Published: June 2007

Adult Fiction

Seconds before the Earth is demolished to make way for a galactic freeway, Arthur Dent is plucked off the planet by his friend Ford Prefect, a researcher for the revised edition of the The Hitch Hiker's Guide to the Galaxy who, for the last fifteen years, has been posing as an out of work actor.



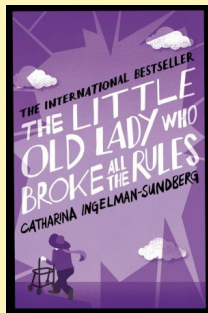
Title: *The Good Son*

Author: Greg Fleet

Published: 2018

Adult Fiction

When James Rogers is ninety-three minutes late to farewell his mother on her deathbed, he's riddled with guilt. To make up for that missed final conversation he engages in some good-willed acts of deception-posing as the neglectful relatives of lonely old people in the Peggy Day Aged Cared Home.



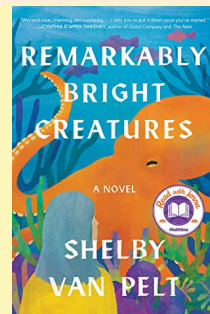
Title: *The Little Old Lady Who Broke All The Rule*

Author: Catharina Ingelman-Sundbery

Published: January 2014

Adult Fiction

79-year-old Martha Anderson dreams of escaping her care home and robbing a bank. She has no intention of spending the rest of her days in an armchair and is determined to fund her way to a much more exciting life-style.



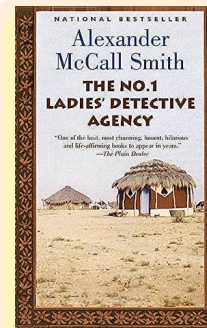
Title: *Remarkably Bright Creatures*

Author: Shelby Van Pelt

Published: May 2022

Crime Fiction

Marcellus McSquiddles is a grumpy giant octopus who has a soft spot for Tova, a 70-year-old night cleaner at his aquarium in Washington state. Tova's teenage son went missing more than three decades ago, but her clever new friend is intent on uncovering what happened on the night of the disappearance — even if it takes all eight of his arms.



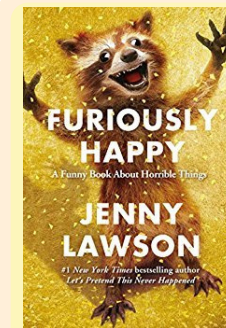
Title: *The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency*

Author: Alexander McCall Smith

Published: December 1998

Adult Fiction

Precious Ramotswe has only just set up shop as Botswana's No.1 (and only) lady detective when she is hired to track down a missing husband, uncover a con man, and follow a wayward daughter. However, the case that tugs at her heart, and lands her in danger, is a missing eleven-year-old boy, who may have been snatched by witch doctors.



Title: *Furiiously Happy: A Funny Book About Horrible Things*

Author: Jenny Lawson

Published: 2015

Adult Non-Fiction

In Furiiously Happy, a humor memoir tinged with just enough tragedy and pathos to make it worthwhile, Jenny Lawson examines her own experience with severe depression and a host of other conditions, and explains how it has led her to live life to the fullest.