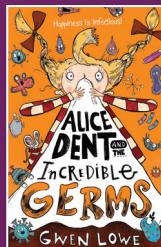
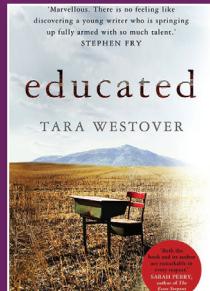
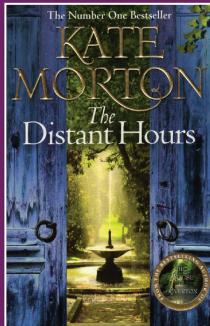


Literary Gift Guide



Stuck for the perfect present? Our literary gift guide might help...

FOR AUTOBIOGRAPHY ADDICTS

Educated – Tara Westover
Tara Westover was born to strict Mormon parents who didn't agree with school, modern medicine or women's equality. Tara spent her childhood attempting to become the dutiful daughter her parents demanded, while keeping on the right side of her violent, manipulative older brother. Education was to prove a way out, but eventually Tara had to choose between becoming the Tara she wanted to be, and the one her parents would accept. A stunning memoir that will stay with the reader long after Christmas is over.

FOR CRIME LOVERS

Girl On Fire – Tony Parsons
A terrorist attack on a shopping centre sees DC Max Wolfe on the hunt for the culprits before they can strike again. He also has battles closer to home to deal with in the form of his ex-wife, who wants custody of their daughter. A gripping story with plenty of twists to keep you guessing.

FOR HISTORICAL FICTION FANS

The Seeds of America Trilogy (Chains, Forge and Ashes) – Laurie Halse Anderson
It's 1776 and the American Revolutionary War is raging. Isabel is offered the chance of freedom from slavery in exchange for spying on her owners. It's an opportunity she can't pass up, however dangerous. While Chains, Forge and Ashes are marketed as children's books, this well-researched trilogy will appeal to teens and adults alike.

FOR PEOPLE LOOKING TO CHANGE THEIR LIFE

Do Fly - Find your way. Make a living. Be your best self – Gavin Strange

Know someone who's stuck on the wrong career path? Treat them to Do Fly. As the intro says, the "ultimate goal is to blend what you enjoy doing and what you get paid to do, so they're one and the same." Far from being a stuffy 'how-to' business book, Do Fly is a short, enjoyable read that feels like a conversation with a friend who's achieved the life you want to lead.

FOR FAMILY SAGA FANS

The Distant Hours – Kate Morton

A long-lost letter sets Edie on a quest to uncover more about her mother Meredith's experiences as an evacuee. Meredith was taken in by the three Blythe sisters, including the enigmatic Juniper. As Edie soon discovers, her mother isn't the only one who's been keeping secrets. An enjoyable, atmospheric novel that treads the line between family saga, gothic mystery and historical fiction.

FOR YOUNG FANS OF ROALD DAHL AND DAVID WALLIAMS

Alice Dent and the Incredible Germs – Gwen Lowe
In Alice's world, cleanliness is crucial, illness is not tolerated and laughter is strictly forbidden. So when Alice gets a cold and a case of the giggles, she's in big trouble. She manages to escape the clutches of the Best Minister for Everything Nicely Perfect, but for how long? Alice Dent and the Incredible Germs is very funny and perfect for sharing at bedtime.