



## Private Detective

### **The Big Over Easy: A Nursery Crime**

By Jasper Fforde

Detective Inspector Jack Spratt, head of the Nursery Crime Division of the Reading police force, teams up with his new partner Sergeant Mary Mary to investigate the suspicious death of Humpty Dumpty, an ex-convict and former millionaire philanthropist who was found shattered to death in a bad part of town. FIC Ffo

### **The Forgotten Man** by Robert Crais

Private investigator Elvis Cole is called when a man shot in an alley announces he is looking for his son, Elvis Cole, just before he dies. Elvis connects with his partner Joe Pike and detective Carol Starkey to reveal the dead man's identity. In the process, they discover family secrets and realize a killer is hunting down Elvis before Elvis uncovers the truth. FIC Cra

### **Half-Moon Investigations** by Eoin Colfer

Twelve-year-old Fletcher Moon, the youngest qualified private detective in the world, receives a diploma and gold-plated detective's shield after completing an Internet course, and sets out to solve petty crimes at school, but he is forced to go on the run when, while investigating the town's biggest crime family, his badge is stolen and he is framed for several crimes he did not commit. FIC Col

### **The Spellman Files** by Lisa Lutz

While deciding if she should quit working for her family's private investigation firm, Izzy Spellman copes with meddling parents, an alcoholic uncle, the disappearance of her younger sister, and her own problems with men and drinking. FIC Lut



## Government Agencies

### **Secret Asset** by Stella Rimington

MI5 intelligence officer Liz Carlyle is suddenly taken off a case involving a possible terrorist cell and is assigned the task of exposing a mole that the agency believes has been planted in one of the branches of British Intelligence. FIC Rim

### **The Broker** by John Grisham

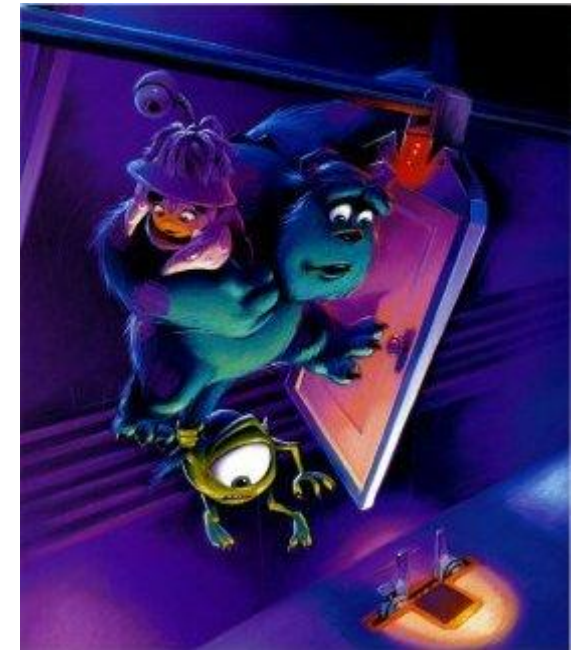
Joel Backman was a power broker in Washington until he stole secrets regarding the missile defense system. He was imprisoned for six years, until the CIA forced the outgoing president to pardon the man. The CIA then gave him a new identity and put him in a "safe house" in Italy, where they told him he would be safe. What they didn't tell him is that they gave his address and new name to four different governments, all of whom want him dead. FIC Gri

### **Maximum Ride : School's Out Forever** by James Patterson

**After a short stay with an FBI agent who gives them a chance to attend school and live a normal life, the six genetically-altered, winged youths head toward Florida and Max's ultimate destiny--to save the world, whether she wants to or not.** FIC Pat Police

### **Blaze** by Richard Bachman

Abuse suffered at the hands of his father and in foster homes and orphanages has left Clay Blaisdell with reduced mental skills, making him the perfect partner to seasoned criminal George Rackley who has a plan to kidnap the infant heir to a huge fortune, and who continues to aid and abet Clay even after he is murdered. FIC Bac



## Doorway To Adventure

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## Fantasy

The Extraordinary Adventures of Alfred Kropp  
by Rick Yancey

Through a series of dangerous and violent misadventures, teenage loser Alfred Kropp rescues King Arthur's legendary sword Excalibur from the forces of evil. FIC Yan

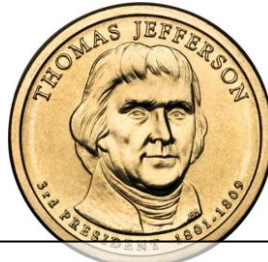
Freaks by Annette Curtis Klause

After leaving home in search of adventure, romance, and riches, seventeen-year-old Abel, the "normal" son of freak show entertainers, is haunted by a mysterious spirit. FIC Kla

Glint by Ann Coburn

Fifteen-year-old Ellie Brody and her younger brother Danny make up stories about a girl named "Argent" who tries to recover a stolen dragon egg. When Danny disappears, Ellie believes she's the only one who can find him. She begins her search in the cave where they told each other stories, and Argent begins her quest. As the two girls progress in their journeys the boundary between their worlds blur. FIC Cob

The Greenstone Grail by Amanda Hemingway  
Nathan Ward, raised under the protection of old Bartlemy in the small English village of Thornyhill, begins having dreams of a magical world known as Eos, and of a greenish stone cup set with jewels, and his life becomes a dangerous adventure when pieces of his dreams begin to materialize in real life. FIC Hem



## Historical

The Book of Fate by Brad Meltzer

A two-hundred-year-old code devised by Thomas Jefferson becomes the key to a present-day conspiracy at the highest levels of Washington and the power elite of Palm Beach. FIC Mel

Che Guevara : Revolutionary

by Michael V. Uschan

Growing up in Argentina -- Ernesto Guevara becomes the revolutionary "Che" -- Che helps bring revolution to Cuba -- Prison warden, communist, economist, and diplomat -- Che's Congo adventure is a failure -- Failure and death in Bolivia. B Guevara

Finn by Jon Clinch

Relates the story of the life of Huckleberry Finn's father, detailing his relationships with his dad, brother, and son; affair with an African-American woman; problems with money and drinking; and death. FIC Cli

Heyday by Kurt Andersen

Aristocratic Benjamin Knowles impulsively leaves the Old World in the mid-nineteenth century and travels to New York where he is befriended by muckraking journalist Timothy Skaggs, Mexican War veteran and firefighter Duff Lucking, and Duff's actress sister Polly, and together the four set off for the frontier, chasing the prospects of new beginnings and California gold. FIC And



## Suspense/Thriller

The Devil's Feather by Minette Walters

Reporter Connie Burns vows to expose a British mercenary who is using the chaos of the war in Africa to hide his sadistic, misogynistic fantasies and murderous intentions, but her efforts to reveal the truth have devastating consequences when Connie is taken hostage and held for three terrifying days. FIC Wal

Shadow Rock by Jeremy Love

After his mother's death, Timothy moves from the big city to the small New England fishing town to live with his father. He discovers a ghost and they set out to explore the dark underbelly of the town. Harrowing thrills and chills ensue in this classic boy's adventure with a horror twist. FIC Lov

Lifeguard by James Patterson and Andrew Gross

Lifeguard Ned Kelly goes on the run to save his life when a simple heist his cousin arranged that could set him up financially for a very long time, goes horribly wrong. FIC Pat

Lucky T by Kate Brian

Carrie Fitzgerald has always been the luckiest girl in school, but what no one realizes is that she is also the most superstitious, attributing all her good luck to a t-shirt, so when Carrie's mom accidentally donates her lucky shirt to charity, Carrie's luck starts to run out, forcing her to travel halfway around the world to get it back. FIC Bri