

## Hold Me Like A Breath

NAMED A BEST BOOK OF 2017 BY NPR "For anyone facing dementia, [Saunders'] words are truly enlightening.... Inspiring lessons about living and thriving with dementia."---Maria Shriver, NBC's Today Show A "courageous and singular book" (Andrew Solomon), Memory's Last Breath is an unsparing, beautifully written memoir--"an intimate, revealing account of living with dementia" (Shelf Awareness). Based on the "field notes" she keeps in her journal, Memory's Last Breath is Gerda Saunders' astonishing window into a life distorted by dementia. She writes about shopping trips cut short by unintentional shoplifting, car journeys derailed when she loses her bearings, and the embarrassment of forgetting what she has just said to a room of colleagues. Coping with the complications of losing short-term memory, Saunders, a former university professor, nonetheless embarks on a personal investigation of the brain and its mysteries, examining science and literature, and immersing herself in vivid memories of her childhood in South Africa.

"Juliet, a self-identified queer, Bronx-born Puerto Rican-American, comes out to her family to disastrous results the night before flying to Portland to intern with her feminist author icon--whom Juliet soon realizes has a problematic definition of feminism that excludes women of color"--

If you go down to the woods today, you're in for a big surprise... 'Exceptional' A.J. Finn 'A smart thriller' Gillian McAllister 'Creepy, absorbing and unnerving' T.M. Logan  
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"It's the fifties, and Lorrie is unimpressed when her family moves to the remote Scottish island

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where her grandad runs a whisky distillery. She befriends Sylvie, the shy girl next door: 'The slightest smile from Sylvie was a fluffy elephant at the fayre. It had to be won with a clear aim,' writes Lorrie in her diary. Yet fun-loving Lorrie isn't sure Sylvie's is the friendship she wants to win. But as the adults around them struggle to keep their lives on an even keel, the two young women are drawn into a series of events that leave the small town wondering who exactly Sylvie is and what strange gift she is hiding. Readman's feel for emotional nuance and her natural flair for mixing strangeness with poignant everyday detail make this long-awaited debut a novel to savour."--

Billionaire Ella Parker has always been strong, focused, and independent. As the founder and CEO of Parker Enterprises and one of the world's youngest billionaires, she doesn't have time for love or the drama that comes with being New Orleans' most eligible bachelorette. When mysterious threats surface, Ella is forced to take on additional security and hire a full-time protection detail. When former Navy SEAL and security expert Elliott Quinn enters her life, she finds that her priorities are shifting, and just maybe she can take a chance on love. After leaving the Navy, Elliott turned his expertise into a lucrative business, taking on Ella's job due to his connections with her past. He has always been married to his work, but despite their best efforts, he soon finds Ella breaking down the walls he worked so hard to build around himself. An intense attraction draws them together, but Elliott knows that breaking the rules and falling for those he is charged with protecting can be a matter of life or death. Clinging to her faith, Ella knows that she has to trust that everything is a part of a greater plan. Elliott isn't sure what he believes in anymore. Both have endured loss and are longing to fill a need within. As the threats against Ella mount, will Elliott be able to protect the woman he has fallen in love with,

and will Ella escape with both her life and her heart?

“Expansive, romantic, and powerful.” —Gayle Forman, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *If I Stay* and *I Have Lost My Way*

Susannah Ramos has always loved the water. A swimmer whose early talent made her a world champion, Susannah was poised for greatness in a sport that demands so much of its young. But an inexplicable slowdown has put her dream in jeopardy, and Susannah is fighting to keep her career afloat when two important people enter her life: a new coach with a revolutionary training strategy, and a charming fellow swimmer named Harry Matthews. As Susannah begins her long and painful climb back to the top, her friendship with Harry blossoms into passionate and supportive love. But Harry is facing challenges of his own, and even as their bond draws them closer together, other forces work to tear them apart. As she struggles to balance her needs with those of the people who matter most to her, Susannah will learn the cost—and the beauty—of trying to achieve something extraordinary.

In Penelope Landlow's world, almost anything can be bought or sold. She's the daughter of one of the three crime families controlling the black market for organ transplants. Because of an autoimmune disorder that causes her to bruise easily, Penny is considered too "delicate" to handle the family business, or even to step foot outside their estate. All Penelope has ever wanted is independence--until she's suddenly thrust into the dangerous world all alone, forced to stay one step ahead of her family's enemies. As she struggles to survive the power plays of rival crime families, she learns dreams come with casualties, betrayal hurts worse than bruises, and there's nothing she won't risk for the people she loves. Perfect for fans of *Holly Black* and *Kimberly Derting*, this first book in the stunning new *Once Upon a Crime Family*

series from acclaimed author Tiffany Schmidt will leave readers breathless.

I'm a former slave. The sister of death. Collateral. He's a bad man. A cartel boss— and my everything. I thought I was done being someones toy, but I was so very wrong. Safety is nothing more than a premise in my world, and enemies linger where I least expect them. Loyalties will be tested and bonds broken. Even my big bad wolf may not be able to save me this time. A priceless pawn. A knight in blood stained armour. A love worthy of any sacrifice. Hate me or hold me? Mia is the quintessential high school A-lister: popular, non-exclusively dating the captain of the soccer team, extremely high GPA, everything Mia's mother has ever wanted. When you have everything good going your way, you have everything to lose. After Mia finds out she has leukemia, she feels like everything she has achieved will slip away from her. So she decides to keep her illness a secret from all her friends and her boyfriend. The only one she lets in is her lifelong best friend, Gyver-the guy next door who is poised to become so much more in her life. Mia is always looking for signs in her everyday life, to shape her decisions, and now that she's sick, she's desperate for a sign that she is going to survive.

**#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • PULITZER PRIZE FINALIST •** This inspiring, exquisitely observed memoir finds hope and beauty in the face of

insurmountable odds as an idealistic young neurosurgeon attempts to answer the question What makes a life worth living? NAMED ONE OF PASTE'S BEST MEMOIRS OF THE DECADE • NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY The New York Times Book Review • People • NPR • The Washington Post • Slate • Harper's Bazaar • Time Out New York • Publishers Weekly • BookPage Finalist for the PEN Center USA Literary Award in Creative Nonfiction and the Books for a Better Life Award in Inspirational Memoir At the age of thirty-six, on the verge of completing a decade's worth of training as a neurosurgeon, Paul Kalanithi was diagnosed with stage IV lung cancer. One day he was a doctor treating the dying, and the next he was a patient struggling to live. And just like that, the future he and his wife had imagined evaporated. When Breath Becomes Air chronicles Kalanithi's transformation from a naïve medical student "possessed," as he wrote, "by the question of what, given that all organisms die, makes a virtuous and meaningful life" into a neurosurgeon at Stanford working in the brain, the most critical place for human identity, and finally into a patient and new father confronting his own mortality. What makes life worth living in the face of death? What do you do when the future, no longer a ladder toward your goals in life, flattens out into a perpetual present? What does it mean to have a child, to nurture a new life as another fades away? These are some of the questions

Kalanithi wrestles with in this profoundly moving, exquisitely observed memoir. Paul Kalanithi died in March 2015, while working on this book, yet his words live on as a guide and a gift to us all. "I began to realize that coming face to face with my own mortality, in a sense, had changed nothing and everything," he wrote. "Seven words from Samuel Beckett began to repeat in my head: 'I can't go on. I'll go on.'" When *Breath Becomes Air* is an unforgettable, life-affirming reflection on the challenge of facing death and on the relationship between doctor and patient, from a brilliant writer who became both.

When new legislation threatens to destroy her family's operations in the black-market organ trade, Maggie finds herself falling in love with Alex, a computer whiz who makes a shocking revelation.

Doctor Dominic Corrigan. He's tattooed, cocky and gorgeous, with bullet scars from working in war zones. I'm a geeky surgeon who hides away in the quiet of her operating theater. We couldn't be more different but from the second we meet, he pursues me...and when I look into those blue eyes, I'm lost. But I know his reputation and I'm determined not to be his next one-night stand. Then disaster strikes our small town...and the two of us become our patients' only hope. Suddenly, I'm thrown into the chaos of an ER stretched to breaking point. We need to work together but the closer we get, the harder it is to resist. We're

one look, one touch away from tearing each other's clothes off. I start to see the pain he hides behind that cocky exterior. What happened to this man, and can I help him break free of his past? And our problems are only just beginning. A criminal gang means to take advantage of the chaos...and the hospital, and everyone I care about, are right in their sights.

Now a Major Motion Picture, Starring Simon Baker, Elizabeth Debicki, and Richard Roxburgh *Breath* is a story of risk, of learning one's limits by challenging death. On the wild, lonely coast of Western Australia, two thrill-seeking teenage boys fall under the spell of a veteran big-wave surfer named Sando. Their mentor urges them into a regiment of danger and challenge, and the boys test themselves and each other on storm swells and over shark-haunted reefs. The boys give no thought to what they could lose, or to the demons that drive their mentor on into ever-greater danger. Venturing beyond all caution--in sports, relationships, and sex--each character approaches a point from which none of them will return undamaged.

Rachel wants one thing in life, a family of her own. But she's not going to get it without a man. Or can she? They may have ruined their chances in the past, but Matt and Ethan know Rachel's the woman for them. When they discover her plans, they tell her they'll give her exactly what she wants. The old fashioned

way. Because once they get their hands on her, they'll hold her close and never let go. Warning: Panty melting! Hold Me Close is book 4 in the wildly dirty series where two obsessed alpha cowboys give the woman of their dreams exactly what she desires. This standalone HEA is all about her - no M/M.

Eagerly anticipated by her legions of fans, this sixth novel in Diana Gabaldon's bestselling Outlander saga is a masterpiece of historical fiction from one of the most popular authors of our time. Since the initial publication of Outlander fifteen years ago, Diana Gabaldon's New York Times bestselling saga has won the hearts of readers the world over — and sold more than twelve million books. Now, A Breath of Snow and Ashes continues the extraordinary story of 18th-century Scotsman Jamie Fraser and his 20th-century wife, Claire. The year is 1772, and on the eve of the American Revolution, the long fuse of rebellion has already been lit. Men lie dead in the streets of Boston, and in the backwoods of North Carolina, isolated cabins burn in the forest. With chaos brewing, the governor calls upon Jamie Fraser to unite the backcountry and safeguard the colony for King and Crown. But from his wife Jamie knows that three years hence the shot heard round the world will be fired, and the result will be independence — with those loyal to the King either dead or in exile. And there is also the matter of a tiny clipping from The Wilmington Gazette, dated 1776, which reports Jamie's

death, along with his kin. For once, he hopes, his time-traveling family may be wrong about the future.

**INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** The only definitive book authored by Wim Hof on his powerful method for realizing our physical and spiritual potential. “This method is very simple, very accessible, and endorsed by science. Anybody can do it, and there is no dogma, only acceptance. Only freedom.” —Wim Hof Wim Hof has a message for each of us: “You can literally do the impossible. You can overcome disease, improve your mental health and physical performance, and even control your physiology so you can thrive in any stressful situation.” With *The Wim Hof Method*, this trailblazer of human potential shares a method that anyone can use—young or old, sick or healthy—to supercharge their capacity for strength, vitality, and happiness. Wim has become known as “The Iceman” for his astounding physical feats, such as spending hours in freezing water and running barefoot marathons over deserts and ice fields. Yet his most remarkable achievement is not any record-breaking performance—it is the creation of a method that thousands of people have used to transform their lives. In his gripping and passionate style, Wim shares his method and his story, including:

- **Breath**—Wim’s unique practices to change your body chemistry, infuse yourself with energy, and focus your mind
- **Cold**—Safe, controlled, shock-free practices for using cold exposure to enhance your cardiovascular system and awaken your body’s untapped strength
- **Mindset**—Build your willpower, inner clarity, sensory awareness,

and innate joyfulness in the miracle of living • Science—How users of this method have redefined what is medically possible in study after study • Health—True stories and testimonials from people using the method to overcome disease and chronic illness • Performance—Increase your endurance, improve recovery time, up your mental game, and more • Wim’s Story—Follow Wim’s inspiring personal journey of discovery, tragedy, and triumph • Spiritual Awakening—How breath, cold, and mindset can reveal the beauty of your soul Wim Hof is a man on a mission: to transform the way we live by reminding us of our true power and purpose. “This is how we will change the world, one soul at a time,” Wim says. “We alter the collective consciousness by awakening to our own boundless potential. We are limited only by the depth of our imagination and the strength of our conviction.” If you’re ready to explore and exceed the limits of your own potential, The Wim Hof Method is waiting for you.

I was born into luxury and used to getting what I wanted. What I desired most, with my life in disarray, was the man who sat across from me. He was tall, dark and handsome, but, most notably, forbidden. It made every accidental touch more sinful and every session more addictive. There was so much tragedy and he was supposed to fix me. I shouldn’t have wondered how it would feel to be trapped under his broad shoulders. I shouldn’t have focused on the way he licked his bottom lip every time his gaze dropped from mine and roamed my curves. I shouldn’t have dreamed about him breaking the rules to comfort me the way I desperately needed. I did though, and I was

the first one to break. He was my protector and my confidant and then he became my lover. I teased him, tempted the two of us and now there's no way to take it back. With everything I've been through, I didn't expect to fall for him. There's only so much heartache I can take. This is book 2 in the Love The Way You series. Book 1, Kiss Me, must be read first.

2020 Chautauqua Prize Finalist 2020 NAACP Image Award Nominee - Outstanding Literary Work (Nonfiction) Best-of Lists: Best Nonfiction Books of 2019 (Kirkus Reviews) · 25 Can't-Miss Books of 2019 (The Undeclared) Explores the terror, grace, and beauty of coming of age as a Black person in contemporary America and what it means to parent our children in a persistently unjust world. Emotionally raw and deeply reflective, Imani Perry issues an unflinching challenge to society to see Black children as deserving of humanity. She admits fear and frustration for her African American sons in a society that is increasingly racist and at times seems irredeemable. However, as a mother, feminist, writer, and intellectual, Perry offers an unfettered expression of love—finding beauty and possibility in life—and she exhorts her children and their peers to find the courage to chart their own paths and find steady footing and inspiration in Black tradition. Perry draws upon the ideas of figures such as James Baldwin, W. E. B. DuBois, Emily Dickinson, Toni Morrison, Ralph Waldo Emerson, and Ida B. Wells. She shares vulnerabilities and insight from her own life and from encounters in places as varied as the West Side of Chicago; Birmingham, Alabama; and New England prep

schools. With original art for the cover by Ekuia Holmes, *Breathe* offers a broader meditation on race, gender, and the meaning of a life well lived and is also an unforgettable lesson in Black resistance and resilience.

**INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** In love for the first time, a son's decisions about the future divides his family in this fearless and thought-provoking novel from the #1 New York Times bestselling author of life-changing fiction. When eighteen-year-old Tommy Baxter declares to his family that he wants to be a police officer after graduation, his mother, Reagan, won't hear of it. After all, she's still mourning the death of her own father on September 11 and she's determined to keep her son safe from danger. But Tommy's father, Luke, is proud of Tommy's decision. He would make a kind and compassionate cop. Meanwhile, Tommy is in love for the first time. His sweet relationship with Annalee Miller is almost too good to be true. Tommy begins seriously thinking about the far off day when he can ask her to marry him but she hasn't been feeling well. Tests reveal the unthinkable. While his girlfriend begins the fight of her life, Tommy is driven to learn more about the circumstances surrounding his birth and the grandfather he never knew. Secrets come to light that rock Tommy's world, and he becomes determined to spend his future fighting crime and bringing peace to the streets. Or is this just his way to fight a battle he cannot win—the one facing Annalee? Blending romance and family drama, *Truly, Madly, Deeply* shows us that, in the shadow of great loss, the only way to live with passion is truly, madly, deeply.

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Heralded by the New York Times and Time magazine as the couple therapy with the highest rate of success, Emotionally Focused Therapy works because it views the love relationship as an attachment bond. This idea, once controversial, is now supported by science, and has become widely popular among therapists around the world. In HOLD ME TIGHT, Dr. Sue Johnson presents Emotionally Focused Therapy to the general public for the first time. Johnson teaches that the way to save and enrich a relationship is to reestablish safe emotional connection and preserve the attachment bond. With this in mind, she focuses on key moments in a relationship-from Recognizing the Demon Dialogue to Revisiting a Rocky Moment-and uses them as touchpoints for seven healing conversations. Through case studies from her practice, illuminating advice, and practical exercises, couples will learn how to nurture their relationships and ensure a lifetime of love.

Book 3 in the New York Times and USA Today Bestselling Dark Romance Trilogy Captor and captive. Lovers. Soulmates. We're all that and more. We thought we were past the worst of it. We thought we finally had a chance. We thought wrong. We're Nora and Julian, and this is our story. \*\*\*Hold Me is the conclusion of the Twist Me series, told from Nora & Julian's point of view.\*\*\*

Eliza takes center stage in this swoon-worthy third installment of the Bookish Boyfriends series Eliza Gordon-Fergus is an expert rule-follower. She has to be; her scientist parents dictate her day-to-day decisions, and forbid her from dating. Which is

why she finds Curtis Cavendish maddening. He's never punished for his class clown antics—and worse, his mischief actually masks brilliance. Like, give-Eliza-a-run-for-valedictorian brilliance. When Eliza reads Frankenstein for English class, she's left feeling more like an experiment than a daughter. Curtis agrees to trade her Anne of Green Gables under one condition: She has to beat him at the science fair. Eliza knows they're supposed to be competing, but the more time they spend together, the more she realizes she's in over her head. Because one thing's certain about Curtis: He makes Eliza want to break all the rules.

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For fans of *Girl in Pieces*, *All the Bright Places*, and *Girl, Interrupted* comes a haunting and breathtaking YA contemporary debut novel that packs a powerful message: hope can be found in the darkness. "Raw, heartbreaking, and poignant." —New York Times bestselling author Kathleen Glasgow A Chicago Public Library and Kirkus Best Book of the Year! Seventeen-year-old Ellie had no hope left. Yet the day after she dies by suicide, she finds herself in the midst of an out-of-body experience. She is a spectator, swaying between past and present, retracing the events that unfolded prior to her death. But there are gaps in her memory, fractured pieces Ellie is desperate to re-assemble. There's her mother, a songbird who wanted to break free from her oppressive cage. The boy made of brushstrokes and goofy smiles who brought color

into a gray world. Her brooding father, with his sad puppy eyes and clenched fists. And Ellie's determined to find out why a piece of her was left behind. Told in epistolary-like style, Rocky Callen's deeply moving *A Breath Too Late* sensitively examines the beautiful and terrible moments that make up a life and the possibilities that live in even the darkest of places. Perfect for fans of the critically-acclaimed *Speak*, *I'll Give You the Sun*, and *If I Stay*. "An exquisitely played love song to life, in all of its hurts, wonders, memories, and loves." —Jeff Zentner, Morris Award winning author of *The Serpent King* and *Goodbye Days* "A haunting story, punctuated with brilliant points of hope and light. This is an important story. A necessary story . . . Callen's writing radiates with passion, honesty and love." —National Book Award finalist and Printz Award-winning author An Na

A New York Times Bestseller A Washington Post Notable Nonfiction Book of 2020 Named a Best Book of 2020 by NPR "A fascinating scientific, cultural, spiritual and evolutionary history of the way humans breathe—and how we've all been doing it wrong for a long, long time." —Elizabeth Gilbert, author of *Big Magic* and *Eat Pray Love* No matter what you eat, how much you exercise, how skinny or young or wise you are, none of it matters if you're not breathing properly. There is nothing more essential to our health and well-being than breathing: take air in, let it out, repeat twenty-five thousand times a day. Yet, as a species, humans have lost the ability to breathe correctly, with grave consequences. Journalist James Nestor travels the world to figure out what went wrong and how to fix it. The answers aren't found in pulmonology labs, as we might expect, but in the muddy digs of ancient burial sites, secret Soviet facilities, New Jersey choir schools, and the smoggy streets of São Paulo. Nestor tracks down men and women exploring the hidden science behind ancient breathing practices like

Pranayama, Sudarshan Kriya, and Tummo and teams up with pulmonary tinkerers to scientifically test long-held beliefs about how we breathe. Modern research is showing us that making even slight adjustments to the way we inhale and exhale can jump-start athletic performance; rejuvenate internal organs; halt snoring, asthma, and autoimmune disease; and even straighten scoliotic spines. None of this should be possible, and yet it is. Drawing on thousands of years of medical texts and recent cutting-edge studies in pulmonology, psychology, biochemistry, and human physiology, *Breath* turns the conventional wisdom of what we thought we knew about our most basic biological function on its head. You will never breathe the same again.

One night can change how you see the world. One night can change how you see yourself. At the age of twelve, Sophie Caco is sent from her impoverished village of Croix-des-Rosets to New York, to be reunited with a mother she barely remembers. There she discovers secrets that no child should ever know, and a legacy of shame that can be healed only when she returns to Haiti--to the women who first reared her. What ensues is a passionate journey through a landscape charged with the supernatural and scarred by political violence, in a novel that bears witness to the traditions, suffering, and wisdom of an entire people.

Apart, they are broken, but together, they are whole Effie and Heath are famous. Not for anything they did, but for what happened to them as teenagers. Abducted and abused by the same man, they turned to each other for comfort until they were finally able to make their escape. Now adults, their relationship is fraught with guilt and despair. Whether fighting or making love, their passion is strong enough to destroy them both—and Effie's not about to let that happen. She knows it's time for her to have a "normal" relationship, even if Heath is

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convinced that they must face their past together in order to move forward. So while Effie continues to bring new men into her life, Heath becomes obsessed with proving he's the one she needs. Then a new crisis arises and Effie begins to lose every scrap of self-control she ever had. As she struggles against her desire to return to the one man who understands her, she discovers that sometimes the only safety you find is with the person who is the most dangerous for you. Previously published

More energy, less stress, better sleep, happier lives. Isn't that what we all wish we had more of? Well, the solution is, quite literally, under your nose: your breath. From leading Breathwork practitioner, Richie Bostock, comes Exhale - a guide to learning the transformative power of breathing to help you lead a happier, healthier life. Exhale will help you master your physical, mental and emotional state in the comfort of your own home. Whether you're looking to reduce stress, improve creativity, tackle back pain or treat chronic ailments, conscious breathing has benefits for everyone. With over 40 exercises, experience the life-changing effects of Breathwork and cultivate your own breathing toolkit. With techniques inspired by traditional Sufi meditation and practices implemented by the Navy SEALs, Richie's Breathwork plan will help you find the solution to life's everyday challenges, in as little as ten minutes a day. Greater health and happiness is just a few breaths away.

Sam leads a pretty normal life. He may not have the most exciting job in the world, but he's doing all right—until a fast food prank brings him to the attention of Douglas, a creepy guy with an intense violent streak. Turns out Douglas is a necromancer who raises the dead for cash and sees potential in Sam. Then Sam discovers he's a necromancer too, but with strangely latent powers. And his worst nightmare wants to join forces . . . or else. With only a week to

figure things out, Sam needs all the help he can get. Luckily he lives in Seattle, which has nearly as many paranormal types as it does coffee places. But even with newfound friends, will Sam be able to save his skin? *Hold Me Closer, Necromancer* is a 2011 Bank Street - Best Children's Book of the Year.

The game's afoot in the next book of the *Bookish Boyfriends* series—this time starring Huck and Winston! After Ms. Gregoire assigns the works of Sherlock Holmes in English class, a mystery deepens at Reginald R. Hero High. Huck and Win—Curtis's younger brother—team up to solve the case . . . and while the sleuths gather clues, another swoon-worthy romance blooms in the school halls. Perfect for younger readers of YA or older readers of middle grade, this squeaky-clean series is sure to charm any reader who's ever had a book boyfriend of their own.

Rock bottom has never felt so good. At least, that's what I tell myself when I bargain with the enemy and score a renovation for my hair salon. The enemy? Nick Stamos, my best friend's older brother. He's got a body and face the Greek gods would envy but his personality needs a major overhaul. He's surly. A rule-follower. Did I mention he's seen me naked? I may have crushed on him for years, but the only place I want Nick swinging his hammer nowadays is at my salon. Except, he needs something in return. . . A fake girlfriend. And I'm just reckless enough to say yes. *HOLD ME TODAY* is a steamy slow burn romance. It's the first book in the highly anticipated series, *Put A Ring On It*, and can be

read as a standalone.

From USA Today best-selling authors W Winters and Amelia Wilde comes a sinful romance with a touch of dark and angst that will keep you gripping the edge of your seat ... and begging for more. I should have known when I couldn't keep my eyes off her that this would be a mistake. I was hired to protect her, this woman who's lost everything yet there's an obvious fire that blazes behind her beautiful gaze. She stares back, daring and tempting me. It calls to a side of me that's darker and longs to tame her. We both have secrets, we both have a past we're not ready to face. More than that, we both want to get lost in each other, falling into a forbidden game of control and power. Of submission and dominance. The moment she agrees to my terms, I know I've crossed a line. One of many rules I'm willing to break. No one can know, not a soul, but secrets in the life I lead never last for long.

Considered by many to be mentally retarded, a brilliant, impatient fifth-grader with cerebral palsy discovers a technological device that will allow her to speak for the first time.

Boys are so much better in books. At least according to Merrilee Campbell, fifteen, who thinks real-life chivalry is dead and there'd be nothing more romantic than having a guy woo her like the heroes in classic stories. Then she, her best

friend, Eliza, and her younger sister, Rory, transfer to Reginald R. Hero Prep—where all the boys look like they've stepped off the pages of a romance novel. Merri can hardly walk across the quad without running into someone who reminds her of Romeo. When the brooding and complicated Monroe Stratford scales Merri's trellis in an effort to make her his, she thinks she might be Juliet incarnate. But as she works her way through her literature curriculum under the guidance of an enigmatic teacher, Merri's tale begins to unfold in ways she couldn't have imagined. Merri soon realizes that only she is in charge of her story. And it is a truth universally acknowledged that first impressions can be deceiving . . .

When Eden Carver, Iowa farm girl turned NY actress, decides to seduce the sexy cop next door, she begins to wonder if she's bitten off more than she can chew. The last thing Officer Jay Bennett wants is to cross a line with the sweet and innocent country girl—no matter how much he'd like to help himself to a nibble. Not only are they in the friendship zone, a naïve girl like Eden doesn't belong in his dangerous world. But when she asks him to help her rehearse lines, and things go from simmer to boil, he finds himself doing the one thing he swore he'd never do. He knows he needs to walk away from temptation, but when sweet little Eden bites back, it tilts his world on its axis. Because biting back changes

everything. He'll break all the rules... Series order: Breaking the Rules Book 1: Hold Me Down Hard Breaking the Rules Book 2: Tie Me Down Tight  
I'm a businessman. A cartel boss. She's collateral. I have no interest in her beyond keeping her alive for the man who now owns her. And yet...I'm fascinated by the little Russian. There is no room for weakness in my world, but it appears the delicate rose has steel petals. I'm willing to bleed for a willing touch, a trusting glance... A broken little bird. The big bad wolf. A love that could heal even the deepest scars. Hate me or hold me?

After he and his fellow warriors escape imprisonment, Nigel Aquarian finds an ally in a beautiful chocolatier who, armed with a dangerous gift, could be his salvation or his downfall. Original.

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