FICTION

**Annihilation** by Jeff VanderMeer
Area X has been cut off from the rest of the continent for decades. In the first volume of Jeff VanderMeer's Southern Reach trilogy, we join the twelfth expedition. They arrive expecting the unexpected, and Area X delivers, but it's the surprises that came across the border with them that change everything.

**Bird Box** by Josh Malerman
Something is out there. One glimpse and a person is driven to violence. No one knows what it is or where it came from. Five years after it began, some survivors remain, including Malorie and her two young children. Living in an abandoned house near the river, she has dreamed of fleeing to a place where they might be safe. When they set off blindfolded down the river, something follows.

**Force of Nature** by Jane Harper
When five colleagues are forced to go on a corporate retreat in the wilderness, they reluctantly pick up their backpacks and start walking down the muddy path. But one of the women doesn't come out of the woods. And each of her companions tells a slightly different story about what happened.

**Circe** by Madeline Miller
Follows Circe, the banished witch daughter of Helios, as she hones her powers and interacts with famous mythological beings before a conflict with one of the most vengeful Olympians forces her to choose between the worlds of the gods and mortals.

**How to Stop Time** by Matt Haig
Tom Hazard has a dangerous secret. He may look like an ordinary 41-year-old, but owing to a rare condition, he's been alive for centuries. Now, he just wants an ordinary life. So Tom moves back his to London, his old home, to become a high school history teacher—the perfect job for someone who has witnessed history first hand.

**Sins of Empire** by Brian McClellan
The young nation of Fatrasta is a turbulent place. A grim specter as old as time has been unearthed in this wild land, and the people of Landfall will soon discover that rebellion is the least of their worries.

**Caroline: Little House, Revisited** by Sarah Miller
In this novel authorized by the Little House Heritage Trust, Sarah Miller vividly recreates the beauty, hardship, and joys of the frontier in a dazzling work of historical fiction, a captivating story that illuminates one courageous, resilient, and loving pioneer woman as never before—Caroline Ingalls, "Ma" in the beloved Little House books.

**A Guide to the Good Life** by William Irvine
One of the great fears many of us face is that despite all our effort and striving, we will discover that we have wasted our life. Irvine plumbs the wisdom of Stoic philosophy, one of the most popular and successful schools of thought in ancient Rome, and shows how its insight and advice are still remarkably applicable to modern lives.

NON-FICTION
**Let's Explore Diabetes with Owls by David Sedaris**
From the perils of French dentistry to the eating habits of the Australian kookaburra, from the squat-style toilets of Beijing to the particular wilderness of a North Carolina Costco, we learn about the absurdity and delight of a curious traveler's experiences.

**The Curated Closet by Anuschka Rees**
With so many style and shopping options, it can be difficult to create a streamlined closet of pieces that can be worn easily and confidently. The Curated Closet presents a fascinatingly strategic approach to identifying, refining, and expressing personal style and building the ideal wardrobe to match it, with style and shopping strategies.

**I'll Be Gone in the Dark by Michelle McNamara**
For more than ten years, a mysterious and violent predator committed fifty assaults in Northern California before moving south, where he perpetrated ten murders. Then he disappeared, eluding capture by multiple police forces and some of the best detectives in the area. Three decades later, true crime journalist Michelle McNamara was determined to find the violent psychopath she called “the Golden State Killer.”

**Obsidio by Amie Kaufman**
Kady, Ezra, Hanna, Nik reluctantly return to Kerenza with other refugees, while Asha has joined Kerenza’s ragtag underground resistance, and when she reconnects with her old flame Rhys, the two find themselves on opposite sides of the conflict. (Book 3 of the Illuminae Files trilogy)

**My Life Uploaded by Rae Earl**
Millie Porter is sensible. That's why she starts an advice vlog. It's the perfect way for her to feel like she's making a difference. But with Internet fame comes Internet trolls. As Millie becomes more and more caught up with her online persona, her role as a good friend and daughter falls by the wayside. Can Millie learn to balance friendship, high school, family drama, dating, and her online life?

**Hello Lighthouse by Sophie Blackall**
Explores the life of one lighthouse as it beams its message out to sea through shifting seasons, changeable weather, and the tenure of its final keeper.

**Sisters by Raina Telgemeier**
Raina can't wait to be a big sister. But once Amara is born, things aren't quite how she expected them to be. When a baby brother enters the picture, and later, when something doesn't seem right between their parents, they realize they must figure out how to get along. They are sisters, after all.

**Dread Nation by Justina Ireland**
When families go missing in Baltimore County, Jane McKeene, who is studying to become an Attendant, finds herself in the middle of a conspiracy that has her fighting for her life against powerful enemies.

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